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- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Back on the record, docket
- 4 9297.
- 5 Professor, I remind you you're still under
- 6 oath.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes, thank you.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Kades, do you have further
- 9 redirect?
- MR. KADES: Yes, I do, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- MR. KADES: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 Whereupon--
- 14 TIMOTHY F. BRESNAHAN
- a witness, called for examination, having previously
- 16 been duly sworn, was examined and testified further as
- 17 follows:
- MR. KADES: Your Honor, before I begin, there
- 19 is one housekeeping matter. During Mr. Gidley's cross
- 20 examination, he used a document USX 1005. At the time
- I objected on behalf of complaint counsel, because
- 22 based on the copy of the document we had, it wasn't
- 23 clear whether we had ever received the document.
- Mr. Gidley has provided me a Bates numbered
- 25 copy of that document. So, we would withdraw that

- 1 objection for the record.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, thank you, Mr. Kades.
- 3 MR. KADES: I wasn't sure if you had overruled
- 4 it or if the objection remained pending, so I just
- 5 wanted the record to be clear.
- 6 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I had overruled it to the
- 7 extent I had allowed him to inquire as to the
- 8 Professor's knowledge. I think that's the way he
- 9 proceeded with questioning. So, it wasn't substantive
- 10 evidence anyway, but thanks for letting me know.
- 11 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 12 BY MR. KADES:
- Q. Good morning, Professor Bresnahan.
- 14 A. Good morning, Mr. Kades.
- 15 O. I'd like to start with a mistake that's been
- brought to my attention. Apparently during my direct
- examination of you, at least at one point, I referred
- 18 to your opinion as being that the payment from Schering
- 19 to Upsher was not for delay. Is that your opinion?
- 20 A. No, my opinion is that it was for delay.
- Q. Professor Bresnahan, the first thing I'd like
- 22 to talk to you about is a formula Mr. Nields and you
- 23 discussed towards the end of the day yesterday. Do you
- remember that discussion?
- 25 A. I do.

- 1 Q. And if we could have CX 751, I believe it's
- 2 page 46.
- 3 Professor, was this the formula you were
- 4 discussing with Mr. Nields yesterday?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. Professor Bresnahan, how does this formula
- 7 relate to your opinion that the payment from Schering
- 8 to Upsher was for delay?
- 9 A. This formula assumes that the payment was for
- 10 delay. It isn't one of the bases that -- under my
- opinion that the payment was for delay.
- 12 Q. And the probability determination that you
- made, what is that probability?
- 14 A. That's -- that's an inference based on payment
- for delay plus some other assumptions, an inference
- 16 about Schering's subjective probability that it would
- 17 win the lawsuit.
- 18 Q. Now, Professor, the next topic I'd like to talk
- 19 to you about is -- relates to the market test that you
- 20 did. Do you remember talking about this test with Mr.
- 21 Gidley I guess it's probably two days ago now?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And during his questioning, you discussed
- one -- a company in particular, Pierre Fabre?
- 25 A. I do remember that.

- 1 Q. And you discussed how many countries Pierre
- 2 Fabre was interested in in licensing the product from
- 3 Upsher?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And I'd like to show you the actual transcript
- 6 and then ask you about what you said. This is the
- 7 transcript of these proceedings dated January 29th, the
- 8 year 2000. The testimony begins on what's marked page
- 9 1054.
- 10 Do you see the testimony that begins at line 5,
- 11 the transcription that begins at line 5, Mr. Gidley
- 12 asks you:
- "QUESTION: You testified earlier that Ms.
- 14 Vicki O'Neill testified under oath in her deposition
- that Pierre Fabre was only operating in three
- 16 countries, did you not?"
- And you answered, "No, no, no, that she -- that
- 18 she had mentioned the possibility of noncontingent
- 19 payments for three countries."
- Then Mr. Gidley asked you, "Isn't it the case
- 21 that she talked about noncontingent payments being made
- in as many as nine countries, sir?
- 23 "ANSWER: I don't recall that."
- 24 Then the questioning continues on the next page
- 25 beginning at line 7. Mr. Gidley said to you:

- 1 "QUESTION: Sir, directing your attention to
- 2 the deposition of Ms. Vicki O'Neill, at transcript
- 3 pages 69 to 70," and then he proceeded to read this
- 4 testimony from Ms. O'Neill.
- 5 "QUESTION: Which countries would Pierre Fabre
- 6 have the ability to market Niacor-SR?
- 7 "ANSWER: I don't know if I'm qualified to say
- 8 what countries they had the ability to market
- 9 Niacor-SR. I could recall from their presentation what
- 10 companies they were currently marketing products in.
- 11 "QUESTION: What countries were they currently
- marketing products? That is in June 1997.
- "ANSWER: June of 1997, I believe in my recall
- of that presentation there was approximately nine
- 15 countries where they were marketing product. These
- 16 countries included Spain, France, Greece, Germany,
- Japan actually. A total of nine, which would be the
- 18 best place to see what their presentation had. But I
- 19 remember there being nine countries. I think they were
- 20 also in Mexico."
- Do you remember Mr. Gidley reading you that
- 22 testimony?
- 23 A. I do.
- Q. Now, Professor Bresnahan, why in your answer
- 25 did you say that it was three countries that were being

- discussed for -- in terms of noncontingent payments?
- 2 A. Elsewhere, that's what Ms. O'Neill had said in
- 3 her deposition when she was talking about noncontingent
- 4 payments.
- 5 Q. Was it her deposition or her investigational
- 6 hearing?
- 7 A. I don't know.
- 8 Q. Could we have the O'Neill investigational
- 9 hearing?
- 10 For the record, this is the investigational
- 11 hearing of Ms. Vicki O'Neill taken August 30th in the
- 12 year 2000.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: What's her position or title?
- 14 BY MR. KADES:
- Q. Professor Bresnahan, what is Ms. O'Neill's
- 16 title?
- 17 A. I'm not sure of her title. She works in the
- 18 corporate development function at Upsher and was
- 19 responsible for the marketing effort of these licenses
- that they were doing in early 1997.
- 21 Q. And if we could have the excerpt.
- 22 Professor Bresnahan, is this the testimony you
- 23 were referring to?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. What does that testimony say?

- 1 A. Ms. O'Neill was asked, "How many countries were
- 2 you talking about with Pierre Fabre?"
- And answered, "You know, I really don't recall,
- 4 but I believe it was more than one, and I would have to
- 5 go back to see where they currently sell and market
- 6 products. I would say it was probably more like three.
- 7 And I can give you the context, and it's relative.
- 8 Pierre Fabre and Servier were more Pan-European. I
- 9 don't recall the number of countries that they were.
- 10 When we talked with Laboratories Esteve and Lacer, they
- 11 were Spain and Portugal. So, in our hierarchy of
- interest, from Upsher-Smith's point of view, we were
- 13 more interested in Pierre Fabre and Servier, because
- 14 they represented more European countries."
- Q. Professor Bresnahan, I'd now like to turn to
- 16 the discussion of direct evidence that Mr. Nields began
- 17 his examination of you with yesterday. Do you remember
- 18 that discussion?
- 19 A. I do.
- Q. And do you remember when Mr. Nields reviewed
- 21 with you testimony from Schering-Plough employees taken
- 22 during the FTC's investigation that Schering -- that
- 23 the Schering employees refused to pay for delay?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And I'm going to show you a document created

- 1 not during the time of the investigation but at the
- 2 time of the Upsher settlement, CX 341, which is the
- 3 board of directors presentation. I believe the Bates
- 4 numbered page is 248.
- 5 I'm going to read you the blown-up portion. It
- 6 says, "Payment Terms: In the course of our discussions
- 7 with Upsher-Smith they indicated that a prerequisite of
- 8 any deal would be to provide them with a guaranteed
- 9 income stream for the next twenty-four months to make
- 10 up for the income that they had projected to earn from
- 11 sales of Klor Con had they been successful in their
- 12 suit. The guaranteed payments are as follows:
- "Within 48 hours of Board Approval, \$28
- million; First Anniversary of Board Approval, \$20
- million; Second Anniversary of Board Approval, \$12
- 16 million."
- Now, Professor, in forming your opinion that
- 18 the payment from Schering to Upsher was for delay, did
- 19 you consider both this statement and the statements
- 20 that Mr. O'Neill -- I'm sorry, that Mr. Nields talked
- 21 with you about yesterday?
- 22 A. Yes, I did.
- 23 Q. How did you reconcile that body of evidence?
- 24 A. This decisional document is from after those
- 25 statements were made in the negotiations. It's from

- 1 after the time the Schering people told the Upsher
- 2 people we can't pay you. But here, Schering is -- is
- 3 saying that it's a prerequisite of a deal with Upsher
- 4 to pay Upsher this uncontingent money, which is, in
- 5 fact, the amount of money that Upsher had been asking
- 6 for in the -- in the negotiations. So, I -- I credited
- 7 the -- this document more than the statements that we
- 8 told them we couldn't pay them.
- 9 MR. KADES: Your Honor, I have no further
- 10 questions.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- MR. GIDLEY: Your Honor, I have brief recross,
- 13 very brief.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- 15 RECROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. GIDLEY:
- Q. Good morning, Professor Bresnahan.
- 18 A. Good morning, Mr. Gidley.
- 19 Q. Let's start with the redirect we just heard on
- the marketing effort and Ms. Vicki O'Neill. Now, the
- 21 marketing effort that Upsher-Smith was conducting in
- 22 1997 was just for Europe, was it not, sir?
- 23 A. That's my understanding, yes.
- Q. And the license that Schering-Plough purchased
- in the June 17, 1997 agreement was broader than that,

- 1 wasn't it, sir?
- 2 A. It was all non-NAFTA countries, yes.
- 3 Q. So, it included countries beyond Europe as well
- 4 as Europe, did it not, sir?
- 5 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. The deposition -- strike that. Excuse me, let
- 7 me clarify this.
- 8 This morning, Mr. Kades read to you from Ms.
- 9 O'Neill's investigational hearing transcript, did he
- 10 not?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. The passage you and I discussed in cross
- examination was from her subsequent deposition, was it
- 14 not?
- 15 A. I don't know. If -- if you say so, yes.
- 16 Q. Let me direct your attention to a second topic.
- 17 That's this business about product market.
- Professor Bresnahan, on redirect, Mr. Kades
- 19 asked you questions about the relevant product market.
- 20 Do you recall that yesterday?
- 21 A. I do.
- Q. In 1997, as now, K-Dur 20 was prescribed for
- 23 the purpose of treating potassium deficiency, was it
- 24 not, sir?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And in 1997, as now, Klor Con 8 and 10 were
- 2 prescribed for the purpose of treating potassium
- 3 deficiency, was it not?
- 4 A. That's right.
- 5 Q. And in 1997, as now, Micro-K is prescribed for
- 6 the purpose of treating potassium deficiency, is it
- 7 not?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And similarly in 1997, K-Tab was prescribed for
- 10 the purpose of treating potassium deficiency, was it
- 11 not?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And similarly, Slow K, K-Lyte, Klotrix,
- 14 Apothecon, potassium chloride 10 mEq and Ethex
- potassium chloride were also prescribed for the purpose
- of treating potassium deficiency, were they not?
- 17 A. Yes, I think so.
- 18 Q. And sir, sitting here today, you have no basis,
- 19 based on a patient's demographic background, that is,
- 20 age, sex, race, to identify any subclass of patients
- 21 for whom K-Dur 20 was the only appropriate potassium
- 22 treatment, do you, sir?
- 23 A. No, not based on demographics or other
- 24 classification criteria.
- Q. And sir, in your report, you do not cite any

- 1 pharmaceutical trade periodicals that treat K-Dur 20 as
- 2 a separate product market, do you, sir?
- 3 A. No, I don't think I cite any pharmaceutical
- 4 trade periodicals at all, particularly not ones that
- 5 say that.
- Q. Sir, isn't it the case that K-Dur 10 and K-Dur
- 7 20 are manufactured in the same factory, are they not?
- 8 A. I believe they are.
- 9 Q. Let me direct your attention to a third topic,
- and that's this issue of CX 133, and let me just put
- 11 that up on the ELMO. Let's see, I've got to turn it
- 12 on.
- Professor Bresnahan, do you remember CX 133 and
- being asked a series of questions yesterday afternoon?
- 15 A. I do.
- 16 Q. Now, late yesterday afternoon, you testified to
- some calculations about 1997 hypothetical events based
- on CX 133, did you not?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And the only pricing data that you were using
- in that series of questions that Mr. Kades asked you
- was coming from CX 133, correct?
- 23 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. And sir, as far as you know, this document
- contains both K-Dur 10 and K-Dur 20 market share data,

- does it not, in terms of prescriptions?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Now, you were asked yesterday to calculate
- 4 hypothetically an average price that blended the price
- of K-Dur potassium chloride with generic potassium
- 6 chloride based on CX 133, right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And that is hypothetical in the sense that it
- 9 didn't happen, because there was not generic entry, as
- 10 you defined it, in the year 1997. Isn't that correct?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 Q. And further, an average price is hypothetical
- in any event as to any single consumer, because no
- single patient actually gets an average prescription.
- 15 The patient either gets K-Dur 20 or the patient gets
- something else. Isn't that the case?
- 17 A. That's right. I mean, the -- it could happen
- that someone actually paid the average price, but
- 19 that's not the meaning of average price that any
- 20 individual literally would pay. It's the average of
- 21 the -- it's -- the idea is that it's an average of
- 22 the -- of the prices that were charged in the
- 23 marketplace, and, you know, in both the questions you
- asked me and the questions Mr. Kades asked me.
- Q. But again, the case remains that a single

- 1 patient does not get an average price; an individual
- 2 patient gets the actual price of the prescription that
- 3 is issued. Isn't that the case, sir?
- 4 A. Right, which would only coincidentally be the
- 5 average price.
- Q. Now, let's turn to reality. After September 1,
- 7 2001, you have not reviewed systematic statistical
- 8 pricing data on the price for K-Dur 20. Isn't that the
- 9 case?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. And sir, sitting here today, you don't know if
- the price of K-Dur 20 has dropped at all since
- 13 September 1, 2001. Isn't that the case?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- Q. On this business of product market, in your
- 16 product market definition, K-Dur 10 is not in your
- 17 K-Dur 20 mEq product market as you define it, sir, is
- 18 it?
- 19 A. No, it's not.
- Q. And sir, you haven't yourself addressed or
- 21 studied the question of whether K-Dur 10 and Klor Con
- 22 10 compete, have you?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. This will be my second to last topic, just one
- 25 second.

- 1 Let me get you a book. I want to go back to
- 2 the cross examination exhibits to shed some light on
- 3 this K-Dur 10 versus K-Dur 20 question.
- 4 May I approach, Your Honor?
- 5 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 7 BY MR. GIDLEY:
- 8 Q. Professor Bresnahan, I'd like to direct your
- 9 attention to tab 1 of the blue book of exhibits. This
- 10 is CX 13. Do you see that, sir?
- 11 A. I do.
- 12 Q. And yellow highlighted at the bottom of the
- page is the quote K-Dur 20 TRX market share is 29
- 14 percent. Do you see that?
- 15 A. I do.
- 16 Q. And that means as of the time of this document,
- 17 March of 1995, seven out of ten prescriptions for
- 18 potassium chloride were for something other than K-Dur
- 19 20. Is that not the case?
- 20 A. That's right.
- 21 Q. Directing your attention to tab 2, which is the
- 22 K-Dur marketing research backgrounder, sir.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. CX 746. Let me direct your attention within
- 25 that document. Please go to page 24, Appendix A-3.

- 1 A. Yes, I've got it.
- Q. I want to direct your attention to a number I
- 3 don't believe we focused on before that will shed a
- 4 little light on this 10 and 20 question. Professor,
- 5 whether you look at the screen or whether you look at
- 6 the document, I want to direct your attention to the
- 7 two lines K-Dur 10 and K-Dur 20 underneath the column
- 8 heading Year to Date April '96 TRX.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 O. And I believe we established before that that
- 11 column relates to year to date April 1996 TRX, total
- 12 prescriptions, did we not?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's the way that Schering-Plough looked
- 15 at market share in the context of this document, did
- 16 they not?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And directing your attention to K-Dur 10, the
- 19 number that appears is 5 percent of TRX or total
- 20 prescriptions year to date April '96. Isn't that the
- 21 case?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And similarly, K-Dur 20 is 32 percent of TRX
- year to date April '96. Isn't that the case?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. If you were to add those two numbers, 5 percent
- 2 market share points and 32 percent market share points,
- 3 that would yield a sum of 37 percent of TRX. Is that
- 4 not the case, sir?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. Let me direct your attention, sir, to tab 3 and
- 7 the pie chart that's found there. Tab 3 is CX 18, the
- 8 1997 K-Dur marketing plan. Again, sir, directing your
- 9 attention to page 5 of CX 18, you see the pie slice
- 10 that we discussed earlier of K-Dur, 37 percent, do you
- 11 not?
- 12 A. I do.
- Q. And it's year to date April 1996.
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. So, it includes K-Dur 10 and K-Dur 20, does it
- 16 not, sir?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 O. So, the actual market share of K-Dur 20 would
- 19 actually be less than 37 percent as expressed in this
- document. Is that not the case?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- Q. And similarly, sir, directing your attention to
- tab 4, which takes us back to CX 133?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And if I might, could I direct your attention

- 1 to the 1996 collection of column headings.
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And sir, do you see the line that says "April
- 4 1996"?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. Reading across into the column that says, "1996
- 7 K-D Market Share, " do you see that?
- 8 A. I do.
- 9 Q. That figure is also 37 percent, is it not, sir?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. That would appear to tie to the previous
- 12 document, would it not, sir?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And wouldn't it be a fair inference, sir, that
- this includes both K-Dur 10 and K-Dur 20 sales, does it
- 16 not, sir?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And finally, sir, directing your attention to
- 19 tab 7, which is the 1998 K-Dur marketing plan dated
- 20 August 1, 1997, a Schering document?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Could I direct your attention to the pie chart
- 23 on that page.
- A. Yes. I'm sorry, what page?
- 25 Q. Page 5.

- 1 A. Thank you.
- Q. And again, sir, this pie chart is expressed in
- 3 TRX, is it not, sir?
- 4 A. It is.
- 5 Q. And it includes both K-Dur 10 and K-Dur 20,
- 6 does it not, sir?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. So that the 38 percent market share figure that
- 9 Schering reports here combines K-Dur 10 and K-Dur 20,
- 10 does it not, sir?
- 11 A. Yes, in the sense they use "market share" here.
- 12 Q. Yes, sir. And as this document reflects, the
- actual market share of K-Dur 20 would actually be
- something less than 38 percent in the context of this
- document, in the context of total prescriptions. Is
- 16 that not the case, sir?
- 17 A. Right, in the sense it uses "market share"
- 18 here, it would be less.
- 19 Q. So, at this point in time, sir, in total
- 20 prescriptions, more than six out of ten potassium
- 21 chloride prescriptions were for something other than
- 22 K-Dur 20. Is that not the case?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. The final topic, sir.
- Do you recall yesterday -- you can set those

- 1 materials down.
- 2 A. Thank you.
- 3 Q. Do you recall yesterday on redirect Mr. Kades
- 4 asking you a series of questions about the board
- 5 presentation and the market value contained therein
- 6 that was calculated in a spreadsheet for the Niacor-SR
- 7 license? Do you recall that?
- 8 A. I do.
- 9 Q. Sir, you've never been retained to value a
- 10 patent. Isn't that correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And you don't maintain a database of
- pharmaceutical patents and their history or valuation,
- 14 do you, sir?
- 15 A. I do not.
- 16 Q. Before this case, you had never performed a
- 17 valuation of a pharmaceutical product. Isn't that the
- 18 case?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- 20 Q. You've never testified before in a
- 21 pharmaceutical industry case, have you, sir?
- 22 A. No, I have not.
- Q. And you've never been hired to value a
- 24 pharmaceutical in-licensing opportunity, have you, sir?
- 25 A. No, not in this case or before.

- 1 MR. GIDLEY: Pass the witness, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Nields?
- 3 RECROSS EXAMINATION
- 4 BY MR. NIELDS:
- 5 Q. Professor, you recall John Hoffman's testimony,
- 6 don't you?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. That any transaction that might be done with
- 9 Upsher to meet its desire for cash would have to stand
- 10 on its own two feet?
- 11 A. I recall him saying that.
- 12 Q. And isn't it the case that in the very document
- that Mr. Kades just showed you a few moments ago, there
- is that exact same idea set forth in writing?
- 15 A. The -- in writing, it says -- not in those
- 16 words -- we told Upsher that it had to -- not stand on
- its own two feet, but on its own merit.
- 18 Q. "That any such deal should stand on its own
- 19 merit independent of the settlement." Those are the
- 20 words in the document Mr. Kades showed you, aren't
- 21 they?
- 22 A. Yes. That's not the complete sentence, but
- those are the words.
- 24 MR. NIELDS: I have nothing further, Your
- Honor.

- 1 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Professor, did you offer your
- 2 opinion on what the relevant product market is in this
- 3 case?
- 4 THE WITNESS: I did.
- 5 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Is that an opinion -- is that
- 6 an economic opinion or a legal opinion?
- 7 THE WITNESS: That's an economic opinion.
- 8 JUDGE CHAPPELL: And what did you rely on in
- 9 forming that opinion?
- 10 THE WITNESS: I relied on the economic
- 11 literature about pharmaceutical markets generally, on
- 12 the documents that were produced by the firms at the
- time, particularly those forecast and projection
- documents. I relied on the -- what happened after
- 15 September 1st, 2001 actually in the marketplace in
- 16 those early months of statistical data, and I relied on
- 17 how the managers in -- to some degree in their
- 18 testimony in the depositions, I quess IHs, too, and in
- their documents explained those outcomes.
- 20 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay. Tell me again what your
- 21 opinion is of the relevant product market.
- 22 THE WITNESS: My opinion is that it's 20
- 23 milliequivalent tablets and capsules of potassium
- 24 chloride.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: And in forming that opinion,

- did you rely on any other expert's opinions or the
- opinions of other people, or is this just your opinion?
- 3 THE WITNESS: No, this is -- that doesn't rely
- 4 on the opinions of any other experts. I mean, it
- 5 relies in the sense I just said on the -- on what the
- 6 business people said and forecast.
- 7 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- 8 Any questions based on my questioning of the
- 9 witness?
- MR. GIDLEY: No, Your Honor.
- MR. NIELDS: No, Your Honor.
- MR. KADES: No, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Professor, you're excused.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir.
- 16 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Complaint counsel, call your
- 17 next witness.
- MS. BOKAT: Your Honor, before we call the next
- 19 witness, may we offer a joint exhibit into evidence,
- 20 please, because the next witness is going to be relying
- in part on some of the documents addressed here?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 23 Off the record.
- 24 (Discussion off the record.)
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Ms. Bokat, you had a joint

- 1 exhibit or a joint motion or what is it?
- 2 MS. BOKAT: Yes, Your Honor, this is a joint
- 3 stipulation of exhibits to be offered in evidence. It
- 4 has been marked JX-3. It is signed by counsel for all
- 5 three parties. It's an offer in evidence of a number
- of Schering documents and -- excuse me, exhibits, SPXs
- 7 and a few CXs, complaint counsel exhibits.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Do you have a copy?
- 9 MS. BOKAT: May I approach?
- 10 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 11 MS. BOKAT: I have the original for the court
- 12 reporter.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: And JX-3 is agreed to by the
- 14 respondents?
- MS. SHORES: It is, Your Honor.
- MR. CURRAN: Yes, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: JX-3 is admitted.
- 18 (JX Exhibit Number 3 was admitted into
- 19 evidence.)
- MS. BOKAT: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 21 Complaint counsel call Dr. Nelson Levy.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Raise your right hand, please.
- 23 Whereupon--
- 24 NELSON L. LEVY
- 25 a witness, called for examination, having been first

- duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you, be seated.
- 3 State your full name for the record, please.
- THE WITNESS: Nelson Louis, L O U I S, Levy.
- 5 MR. SILBER: Good morning, Your Honor. I'm
- 6 Seth Silber for complaint counsel.
- 7 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Good morning.
- 8 MR. SILBER: If we could just have a couple
- 9 moments to set up.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- 11 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- 13 MR. SILBER: Before I begin, Your Honor --
- 14 actually, one of the people I wanted to introduce just
- 15 stepped out, but I would like to introduce two people
- 16 who have been integral in helping us prepare Dr. Levy's
- work in this case and his testimony here today.
- 18 First I'd like to introduce Mr. Karan Singh,
- 19 he's an attorney who recently joined the Commission,
- and Ms. Paula Katz, who is one of our honors
- 21 paralegals.
- 22 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you. They learned they
- 23 need to stand up when you introduce them.
- MR. SILBER: We learned that from the last
- 25 time, Your Honor.

1 DIRECT EXAMINATION

- 2 BY MR. SILBER:
- 3 Q. Good morning, Dr. Levy.
- 4 A. Good morning.
- 5 Q. Before we start working on your -- going
- 6 through your qualifications, could you describe for us
- 7 in general the issues the FTC requested that you
- 8 address?
- 9 A. Yes. I was asked to provide an opinion on
- whether a certain \$60 million payment that was made by
- 11 Schering-Plough to Upsher-Smith pursuant to an
- 12 agreement in June of 1997 could reasonably have been
- for a pharmaceutical product called Niacor-SR and a
- small group of additional generic pharmaceuticals.
- Q. Dr. Levy, have you come to Court today prepared
- 16 to testify as to whether the \$60 million noncontingent
- 17 payment was for Niacor-SR?
- 18 A. Yes, I have.
- 19 Q. Going to your qualifications, let's start, Dr.
- 20 Levy, with -- can you tell us what your present
- 21 business or profession is?
- 22 A. Yes, I am the chairman and chief executive
- 23 officer of a company called the CoreTechs Corporation.
- Q. And have you prepared a slide that describes
- 25 how you got to your present career position?

- 1 A. Yes, I have.
- Q. Okay. And Dr. Levy, what I've put on the ELMO,
- 3 is this the slide you're referring to?
- 4 A. Yes, it is.
- 5 Q. Okay. Let's start with your education. The
- 6 first thing you have listed is Yale University. What
- 7 degree did you receive from Yale?
- 8 A. I was graduated in 1963 with both a Bachelor of
- 9 Arts and a Bachelor of Science degree.
- 10 Q. Okay. Did you receive any distinctions while
- 11 you were at Yale?
- 12 A. Yes, I did.
- 13 Q. What were those distinctions?
- 14 A. I was graduated Summa Cum Laude, Junior Phi
- Beta Kappa, and I was the Scholar of the House.
- 16 Q. Can you tell us what a Scholar of the House is?
- 17 A. Yes, at the end of one's junior year, the
- 18 faculty select nine individuals chosen from the --
- 19 across the academic spectrum, two from the sciences
- 20 typically, and those individuals are excused from all
- 21 classes and exams during their senior year, have no
- requirements of the major and are then able to do
- 23 original research.
- MR. SILBER: Your Honor, if I may, just for
- 25 identification purposes, this slide is marked as

- 1 CX 1598 and is titled Nelson L. Levy, M.D., Ph.D.
- 2 BY MR. SILBER:
- 3 Q. After receiving your degree from Yale, what did
- 4 you do next?
- 5 A. I went to Columbia University College of
- 6 Physicians and Surgeons in New York City.
- 7 Q. And that is where you received your M.D.
- 8 degree?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Okay. And what did you do after receiving this
- 11 degree from Yale?
- 12 A. I didn't put it on this slide, but I went -- I
- did an internship which was a combined internship done
- 14 half at the University of Colorado Medical Center in
- Denver and half at the Massachusetts General Hospital
- 16 in Boston, the purpose of it being -- well, to pursue
- an interest I had then in transplantation, and I was
- 18 fortunate to spend a six-month period in Denver under a
- 19 man named Tom Starzl, who at that time was and I
- 20 believe still is the world's leading transplantation
- 21 surgeon.
- 22 And during that year -- it was a very exciting
- 23 year, so I like to talk about it. It was a year
- 24 that -- Dr. Starzl is the man who did the first -- the
- world's first liver transplant, and I was fortunate

- 1 enough to scrub on that case with him.
- 2 Q. After completing this training, the next item
- 3 is NIH. Did you then go to the NIH?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Okay. And can you tell us what kind of work
- 6 you did at NIH?
- 7 A. Yes. I was what they refer to as a research
- 8 associate and spent the full two-year period that I was
- 9 there doing research in the areas of cancer --
- 10 cancer-oriented research but in the -- specifically in
- 11 the areas of virology and immunology.
- 12 Q. How many years did you spend at NIH?
- 13 A. Two years.
- Q. Okay. And where did you conduct your
- 15 residency?
- 16 A. Well, I then went to Duke University Medical
- 17 Center after I left the NIH and wore several hats
- 18 there. One hat was -- I was a resident in
- 19 neurosurgery. The second hat was that I was a graduate
- student in microbiology and immunology, and the third
- 21 hat was -- which was particularly bizarre -- is that I
- 22 was an -- I was actually an instructor on the faculty
- 23 of the same department in which I was getting my Ph.D.
- Q. What types of students did you teach?
- 25 A. Medical students and graduate students.

- 1 Q. And did you conduct clinical research while you
- 2 were at Duke?
- 3 A. Yes, I did.
- 4 Q. What type of clinical research?
- 5 A. There were three areas. I ran two of the major
- 6 clinics. One was the melanoma clinic, melanoma being
- 7 one of the forms of skin cancer. The second was I ran
- 8 the multiple sclerosis clinic. And thirdly, a
- 9 particular focus of research in my laboratory were
- 10 brain tumors, specifically gliomas, and we did clinical
- 11 research as well as basic research in all three of
- 12 those areas.
- Q. How many years in total did you spend at Duke?
- 14 A. Eleven.
- Q. And what year was that that you finished your
- 16 work at Duke?
- 17 A. 1981.
- 18 Q. By the time you were finished with your work at
- 19 Duke, had you published articles in the medical field?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. How many articles in total?
- 22 A. A little over 130.
- 23 Q. Can you -- are any of those articles relevant
- 24 to your testimony here today?
- 25 A. That's an interesting question. I think

- 1 everything was relevant in that this case cuts across
- 2 multiple areas of study, and certainly a familiarity
- 3 with clinical research, a familiarity with medicine,
- 4 the familiarity with the questions of the efficacy or
- 5 lack thereof of pharmaceuticals is all embedded in this
- 6 case, and the full experience that I have as a
- 7 professor, designing research projects, conducting
- 8 research projects, assessing data and the like I think
- 9 is all germane to this case.
- 10 Q. When you left Duke after your 11 years there,
- 11 what position did you hold?
- 12 A. Professor -- well, tenured professor of
- microbiology and immunology.
- Q. And at that point, what degrees did you hold?
- 15 A. An M.D. degree and Ph.D. degree.
- Q. What was your Ph.D. in?
- 17 A. Immunology.
- 18 Q. In 1981, you indicated that you left Duke.
- 19 What did you do next?
- 20 A. I went to Abbott Laboratories as the vice
- 21 president of pharmaceutical research.
- 22 Q. Okay. How many years did you spend at Abbott?
- 23 A. About three and a half.
- Q. Okay. Now, you indicated you were the vice
- 25 president of pharmaceutical research. Can you describe

- 1 for us what your responsibilities were in that
- 2 position?
- 3 A. Yes, I had under my supervision all the
- 4 research that Abbott Laboratories, which is, of course,
- 5 one of the major health care and pharmaceutical
- 6 companies in the world, all the research that Abbott
- 7 did of any type dealing with any pharmaceutical
- 8 product.
- 9 Q. Based on your efforts at Abbott, did those
- 10 efforts lead to any marketed pharmaceuticals?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Okay. Approximately how many?
- 13 A. About five or six what I would say major
- 14 pharmaceuticals, and then there was a multitude of
- smaller things that we referred to as line extensions.
- 16 Q. Okay. I am going to introduce a term in my
- 17 next question, I'd like you to tell us what it means
- 18 first, because it's going to come up a lot if it hasn't
- 19 come up already. The term is "in-licensing."
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you tell us what in-licensing is?
- 22 A. Licensing in.
- Q. Can you elaborate a bit?
- 24 A. In-licensing is when a -- one party, referred
- 25 to as the licensee, acquires a product from a third

- 1 party, referred to as the licensor, and extends its
- 2 product line in so doing.
- 3 Q. Okay. Now, getting back to your relevant
- 4 qualifications, we had talked about you were involved
- 5 in pharmaceutical research at Abbott. While at Abbott,
- 6 did you have any involvement in issues concerning the
- 7 in-licensing of pharmaceutical products?
- 8 A. Yes, I did, I think in -- in two principal
- 9 ways. First, whenever any product was being considered
- 10 for in-licensing at Abbott, it would go -- before any
- 11 serious consideration was given to it, it would go
- 12 through the research and development departments, and
- 13 that was under my supervision, and so it had to come
- across my desk, and then it was my responsibility to
- see that it was handed off to the various -- the
- 16 various and sundry experts under my supervision.
- 17 Secondly, I sat on for the full time that I was
- there what Abbott referred to as the Pharmaceutical
- 19 Business Development Committee, and this was comprised
- of the vice president of business development -- I
- 21 think we actually called him vice president of
- 22 licensing, a man named Frank Barnes, the vice president
- 23 of marketing in the domestic pharmaceutical business at
- 24 that time was a guy named Dick McMahon, and the -- his
- 25 counterpart in the international division, a fellow

- 1 named Bob Pickholtz, myself, the -- the chief financial
- 2 officer from Abbott's international division, Dick
- 3 Williams, and Mark Barmak, who was at that time -- he's
- 4 now the general counsel of Abbott, I believe, but at
- 5 that time he was Abbott's in-house patent counsel or
- 6 head in-house patent counsel.
- 7 Q. Okay. During your three and a half years at
- 8 Abbott, could you approximate for us how many
- 9 pharmaceutical products you were involved in looking at
- in some capacity as far as in-licensing?
- 11 A. Oh, gee, a few dozen. You know, most of them
- were rejected, but your question I think was to how
- many did we look at.
- 14 O. Yes.
- 15 A. At least a few dozen.
- 16 Q. Now, you indicated you started at Abbott in
- 17 1981, you were there about three and a half years, that
- brings us to about 1984. Is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And what did you do in 1984?
- 21 A. I left Abbott to form the company CoreTechs.
- 22 Q. Okay. Describe for us what CoreTechs' business
- 23 is.
- A. CoreTechs has two businesses, and the first
- 25 I'll mention has diminished progressively over the

- 1 years. The first is -- was consulting to the
- 2 pharmaceutical industry and to the investment community
- 3 servicing the biotech and pharmaceutical industries.
- 4 The second was a paradigm that we developed for what's
- 5 referred to as technology transfer, and technology
- 6 transfer is the identification and valuation of
- 7 technologies from universities, from large companies,
- 8 from small companies, and then taking these
- 9 technologies forward into some form of development,
- 10 either through licensing or through the formation of a
- 11 startup company.
- 12 Q. The first part of CoreTechs' business that you
- described you were working on referred to consultant
- 14 business. Could you give us a few examples of relevant
- experiences you've had at CoreTechs as a consultant
- with the pharmaceutical industry?
- 17 A. Yes. I tried to list on this slide,
- 18 recognizing that it was for this proceeding, a few
- 19 examples, and I chose them for a few reasons. First,
- to show the diversity of experiences. Secondly, each
- of those three that I'll speak of in a moment I had a
- 22 very long-term relationship with as opposed to a -- you
- 23 know, a cursory consulting assignment. And -- well,
- 24 that's it.
- Q. Okay. Let's just go to the first one that

- 1 you've listed. It's Erbamont Pharmaceutical Company.
- 2 Can you describe the work that you have done or that
- 3 you did do with Erbamont?
- 4 A. Yes. Erbamont was a pharmaceutical company
- 5 that was formed -- it was traded on the New York Stock
- 6 Exchange, and it did about \$2 and a half billion in
- 7 sales at the time, so it was a major company, and it
- 8 was comprised of three major divisions. One was Adria
- 9 Laboratories in this country, which sold the -- as its
- 10 principal product the drug called adriamycin, which at
- 11 that time was the world's leading selling anti-cancer
- drug, adriamycin. Secondly, it had a small diagnostics
- division called Kallestad headquartered in Austin,
- 14 Texas.
- But most significant was the fact that by far
- 16 its largest division was a company called Farmitalia
- 17 Carlo Erba, which was Italy's largest pharmaceutical
- 18 company and was indeed the place where adriamycin was
- 19 discovered, and it was headquartered in Milan and had
- 20 roughly 1500 people in its R&D department, and I became
- 21 involved with Erbamont -- actually, the CEO of the
- 22 company had been a colleague at Abbott and wanted me to
- 23 go there as his worldwide head of R&D. I told him I
- 24 didn't want to do that, and so I agreed to work half
- 25 time as a consultant for him but with the

- 1 responsibility and authority actually to run his
- 2 worldwide research and development operations. So, I
- 3 was essentially functioning as the vice president of
- 4 Erbamont's worldwide R&D.
- 5 Q. During what years did you function in this
- 6 capacity for Erbamont?
- 7 A. I -- I continued to work with Erbamont from
- 8 1984 to -- it was about 1989 or so but intensely for
- 9 about almost two years during the period that I had
- 10 this role that I was speaking of before, and at that
- 11 time was going to Milan for usually about a week every
- 12 four to six or seven weeks.
- 13 Q. The next company listed there under CoreTechs
- 14 here is Ligand Pharmaceuticals. Tell us what you did
- 15 with Ligand.
- 16 A. Yes, Ligand is now a public company with almost
- a billion dollar market cap. It's one of the more
- 18 successful among the -- let's just say the early stage
- 19 pharmaceutical companies. I've been involved with that
- 20 company since before it went public in the -- in the
- 21 eighties. It is probably the world's leading company
- 22 in the area -- in a particular area of pharmaceutical
- 23 research that deals with what are referred to as
- intracellular receptors, and I have been -- first,
- early on, I was on the board of directors, but very

- 1 briefly.
- 2 Since the eighties, I've been on Ligand's
- 3 Scientific Advisory Board and have been what they refer
- 4 to as a special counsel to the CEO. That's given me
- 5 the opportunity to be involved with a -- the multitude
- of transactions that Ligand's been involved with over
- 7 the past more than decade. Ligand's been very active
- 8 in out-licensing a number of its research programs as
- 9 well as having made some major acquisitions itself that
- 10 have led to the, if you will, the in-licensing of some
- 11 significant pharmaceutical products, and I've been
- 12 involved with all of that.
- 13 Q. The last company listed here is
- 14 LyphoMed/Fujisawa. Tell us about your involvement with
- 15 that entity.
- 16 A. Yes, well, LyphoMed began -- I believe it began
- in the early eighties as a very narrowly focused
- 18 generic pharmaceutical company. In 1984, John Kapoor,
- 19 who was the founder and CEO of that company, approached
- 20 me, because he had hired one of my former employees
- 21 from Abbott, and he just wanted me to become, you know,
- 22 a counselor to him with the idea of trying to take
- 23 LyphoMed from being a purely generic pharmaceutical
- 24 company to one that had branded pharmaceutical
- 25 products.

- 1 And so over the course of the next, oh, I guess
- 2 five years, I worked with LyphoMed to help them find,
- 3 evaluate and ultimately in-license five different
- 4 branded pharmaceutical products.
- 5 Q. At some point in time, did you become a
- 6 full-time employee of Fujisawa?
- 7 A. Well, I didn't mention that in I believe it was
- 8 1989 or 1990 -- I think it was late in 1989, Fujisawa,
- 9 which was the third largest pharmaceutical company in
- Japan, bought LyphoMed for almost a billion dollars,
- 11 and so my interactions with LyphoMed now became --
- 12 continued and they became interactions with Fujisawa,
- and then finally in 1992, they asked me to become the
- 14 president of Fujisawa, which I did.
- Q. Okay, and you were president of Fujisawa's
- 16 North American entity. Is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. So, you headed up the entire North American
- 19 operations for this Japanese company?
- 20 A. Yes, Fujisawa had three major pharmaceutical
- 21 divisions. One was, of course, the domestic Japanese
- 22 company, which was -- sold in Japan and the Far East.
- 23 Then they had a subsidiary in Europe, which they had
- 24 acquired, had previously been Klinge Pharma, it was
- 25 headquartered in Munich, and then they had -- which

- 1 became Fujisawa GMBH, and then they had Fujisawa USA,
- which was Fujisawa North America, and we had North
- 3 America or United States and Canada, and that was under
- 4 my supervision. We had roughly \$250 million in sales
- 5 and about 1500 employees.
- Q. As the head of Fujisawa's North American
- 7 operation, can you relate to us how that experience is
- 8 relevant to your testimony today?
- 9 A. Yes. I think that -- and again, in a number of
- 10 fashions. Generally speaking, I had the opportunity to
- 11 head an entire significant pharmaceutical business and
- so had under my supervision the in-licensing or
- business development, as we called it, department, and,
- of course, had all the other elements of a
- 15 pharmaceutical business in terms of marketing, sales,
- 16 finance and the like, all of which components have to
- work together and interrelate to form a pharmaceutical
- 18 business.
- 19 Then I think more specifically, Fujisawa had a
- 20 major pharmaceutical under development in this country,
- 21 which has now been registered, it's a drug -- we called
- it then FK-506, but it's now called Prograf, and it's
- 23 one of the major drugs in the world for
- 24 immunosuppression; that is, to fight the rejection of
- 25 transplants.

- But also, because the business -- the North
- 2 American business was somewhat nascent, it was actively
- 3 involved in doing in-licensing deals or trying to find
- 4 them and also have the responsibility to out-license
- 5 some opportunities that were developed internally by
- 6 Fujisawa in Japan. So, we had the opportunity and the
- 7 responsibility to seek out-licensing partners for some
- 8 of Fujisawa Japan's opportunities in North America.
- 9 Q. Now, you started with Fujisawa in 1991 --
- 10 A. '92 -- well, I mean I became a full-time
- 11 employee in '92.
- 12 Q. Okay, thank you. Then at some point, did you
- 13 return to CoreTechs?
- 14 A. Yes, I did, in --
- 15 Q. In what year?
- 16 A. -- roughly mid-1993, I went back to CoreTechs,
- 17 had an interesting opportunity arise.
- Q. And you're still with CoreTechs today?
- 19 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. And what is your current title?
- 21 A. I'm now the chairman and the CEO.
- Q. Okay. Can you tell us in your work at
- 23 CoreTechs since 1993 some examples of other
- 24 pharmaceutical companies you've worked with that are
- 25 relevant to your testimony here today?

- 1 A. Yes. Well, I mean first, the -- the
- 2 interactions with the three I listed above have
- 3 continued, although Erbamont doesn't exist anymore, it
- 4 has subsequently been acquired, so that -- that has
- 5 ceased, but the other two certainly do. And then I've
- 6 listed, again, just as illustrations of the sorts of
- 7 things that I've been involved with a few other
- 8 opportunities that I think are germane.
- 9 First is I have been and was for a little over
- 10 two years, almost three years actually, a member of the
- 11 board of directors of Zonagen. Zonagen is a publicly
- 12 traded company, and it's quite germane to this
- proceeding in that Zonagen licensed its major
- 14 pharmaceutical product to Schering-Plough, and I'm, of
- 15 course, exceedingly familiar with that opportunity and
- 16 with the manner in which Schering-Plough has carried
- out the business post having done that deal.
- 18 Secondly, I am a member of the board of
- 19 directors of Targeted Genetics Corporation right now,
- 20 and Targeted Genetics is perceived by some people to be
- 21 the leading gene therapy company in the world, and so
- 22 my experience as a director that -- of a -- quite an
- 23 active research-based company I think has some
- 24 relevance.
- Then the third company that I've listed is a

- very interesting company called First Horizon
- 2 Pharmaceutical Company, which is a company that was
- 3 just formed about two and a half years ago, went public
- 4 about a year and a half ago and has had its stock price
- 5 go from about \$8 at IPO to in the thirties now. I say
- 6 that only because it's been a successful company, but
- 7 the business of First Horizon Pharmaceutical Company is
- 8 very germane to this proceeding in that what it does is
- 9 in-license late stage, relatively small market
- 10 pharmaceuticals, develop them and market them. It has
- 11 a sales force to market its products. I'm chairman of
- 12 its Scientific Advisory Board and have been involved
- with virtually all of the acquisition activities that
- 14 First Horizon has done since its inception.
- 15 Q. Moving away from your experience in the
- 16 pharmaceutical industry, can you tell us how many times
- you've been retained to testify as an expert for
- 18 litigation?
- 19 A. Recently?
- Q. The last five years.
- 21 A. Twice.
- 22 Q. Okay. And in the last five years, what
- 23 percentage of your time has been spent in work related
- 24 to testifying as an expert?
- 25 A. Oh, gee, 2 percent, 3 percent, something less

- 1 than 5 percent, well less than 5 percent.
- 2 MR. SILBER: Your Honor, based on Dr. Levy's
- 3 three decades of experience in the pharmaceutical
- 4 industry, in medicine, in teaching and in clinical
- 5 research, we submit him as an expert in the field of
- 6 pharmaceutical licensing and pharmaceutical valuation.
- 7 MS. SHORES: Your Honor, we would renew the
- 8 objections that we raised to Dr. Levy's testimony in
- 9 our motion in limine. As I understood the Court's
- 10 ruling with respect to Dr. Bresnahan, that's something
- 11 that the Court I anticipate will take into effect at
- 12 the end of his testimony.
- 13 MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, we join in renewing
- our opposition to Mr. Levy being designated as an
- expert in the area of pharmaceutical licensing for the
- 16 reasons stated in the motion in limine.
- In addition, I would like to note that when
- 18 Your Honor dealt with that motion in limine at the
- 19 outset of the case, Your Honor I believe restricted the
- 20 scope of Mr. Levy's -- Dr. Levy's testimony, indicating
- 21 that he was -- he could not opine on the credibility or
- 22 truthfulness of sworn testimony of executives of
- 23 Schering-Plough or Upsher-Smith.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: That's correct.
- MR. SILBER: Your Honor, may I just add a word,

- 1 please?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: All right.
- MR. SILBER: We are well aware of your ruling
- 4 regarding Dr. Levy, and I have shared that ruling with
- 5 Dr. Levy. I'd also like to note, however, that at no
- 6 point in Dr. Levy's expert report and at no point does
- 7 he intend to testify to the credibility of those
- 8 witnesses. His opinion is based upon his examination
- 9 of the facts and his experience in the industry.
- 10 JUDGE CHAPPELL: We don't need to belabor that
- 11 point. That's water under the bridge. I've already
- 12 ruled on that. I'm going to overrule the objections at
- 13 this time, and I'm going to allow the expert to testify
- subject to objections that may arise based on the
- 15 questions you're going to ask him.
- So, with that, you may proceed.
- 17 MR. CURRAN: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 18 MR. SILBER: Thank you.
- 19 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Dr. Levy, what basic conclusion have you
- 21 reached regarding whether the \$60 million noncontingent
- 22 payment was for Niacor-SR?
- 23 A. I've prepared a slide --
- 24 MR. CURRAN: Objection. Objection, Your Honor.
- 25 That question necessarily calls for the witness to

- opine as to the credibility of witnesses who have
- 2 testified uniformly that the \$60 million, I will ignore
- 3 for the moment the failure to discount, was not -- that
- 4 the witnesses in this case have all testified that the
- 5 \$60 million discounted was for Niacor-SR. This witness
- 6 cannot say otherwise. He can opine as to the
- 7 reasonableness of the amount, but he cannot opine as to
- 8 whether the payment was for Niacor-SR or not.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, I'm overruling that
- 10 objection. Under Rule -- Federal Rule 705, he does not
- 11 have to disclose facts or data underlying his opinion
- on direct, but you have an opportunity to explore those
- facts and data on cross examination. So, it's
- 14 overruled at this time.
- MR. CURRAN: Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- 17 BY MR. SILBER:
- 18 Q. If I may just repeat the question.
- 19 Dr. Levy, what basic conclusion have you
- 20 reached as to whether the \$60 million noncontingent
- 21 payment was for Niacor-SR?
- 22 A. I've prepared a slide that I think summarizes
- 23 that opinion. May I have it, please?
- Q. Certainly.
- 25 And if I may just note for the record that this

- is CX 1597 encaptioned, "\$60 Million Was Not for
- 2 Niacor-SR."
- 3 Please go ahead.
- 4 A. I think the opinion is summarized in the black
- 5 bold type at the top. It is my firm opinion that the
- 6 \$60 million payment was not at all for Niacor-SR.
- 7 There are three basic opinions, if you will, that
- 8 underlie that overriding opinion. The first of these
- 9 was that the noncontingent, unrestricted \$60 million
- 10 payment was grossly excessive by virtually every
- 11 parameter that one can examine.
- 12 Secondly, the due diligence that led to the
- 13 company's making that payment was so superficial as to
- 14 defy description.
- Thirdly, after the deal had been executed,
- 16 after the company had agreed to pay and indeed has paid
- 17 \$60 million, neither party did anything that even came
- 18 close to what I have ever seen, ever, in the behavior
- 19 of licensee and licensor regarding any in-licensed
- 20 product, never mind one for which they had paid \$60
- 21 million.
- Q. Dr. Levy, let's discuss how you've reached
- 23 these conclusions, if we could start by you telling us
- 24 how you began your analysis.
- 25 A. Yes, and I'm trying to think back to, you know,

- 1 to just the initial phases. I think at the outset, you
- 2 sent me the -- I guess it's referred to as the
- 3 complaint, and I read that, and then I was -- I was --
- I asked for or was sent, I don't remember how it came
- 5 about, the defendant or is it the respondents' -- I'm
- 6 not sure of the terms in this matter, I apologize --
- 7 had prepared a number of white papers, and I read them
- 8 because I really knew nothing about the facts in this
- 9 case and tried to -- really to look at the arguments
- 10 that each of the parties was presenting, and read them
- and began to formulate some opinions but really had no
- 12 opinion at this point.
- 13 Then I was able to review a number of
- depositions from various parties in the case and worked
- through this over a period of, gee, six or seven months
- 16 in what I perceive as an iterative process in that I
- 17 really tried to look at the arguments that were being
- 18 presented by all the parties and to see if -- you know,
- 19 where the various and sundry bits of information, data
- 20 fell as I tried to formulate this opinion. And over a
- 21 period of several months, in reviewing all this
- 22 information, came to the conclusions that I've reached
- 23 here. But I would say it was an iterative process that
- 24 involved reviewing, you know, quite a large number of
- documents.

- 1 Q. About how many documents?
- 2 A. Oh, goodness, I measure it in terms of volume,
- 3 and it's filling up a large part of my office.
- 4 Thousands of pages. I really don't -- I don't know how
- 5 many documents, but if one counts the boxes or if one
- 6 counts the volume, I would say it's -- it must be
- 7 10,000 pages or -- I don't know. It's just a huge
- 8 volume.
- 9 Q. And approximately how many depositions have you
- 10 read?
- 11 A. I've not counted them either, but I think it's
- 12 probably about 15.
- Q. And approximately how many hours have you
- 14 worked on this matter?
- 15 A. I would say -- again, I apologize for not
- 16 having an exact accounting of that, but it's somewhere
- 17 between 350 and 400 hours I would think.
- 18 Q. And can you tell us what rate you're charging
- 19 the FTC for your services?
- 20 A. \$350 an hour.
- 21 Q. Dr. Levy, before going into your ultimate
- 22 opinion that the \$60 million was not for Niacor-SR and
- 23 the three subopinions there, if we could do a little
- 24 background on the drug involved.
- 25 Can you tell us what the Niacor-SR drug was

- 1 intended to treat?
- 2 A. Yes. May I have -- I've prepared a slide -- I
- 3 don't want to get too didactic here, but if I may have
- 4 that next slide.
- 5 Q. Certainly.
- 6 A. That would be helpful.
- 7 MR. SILBER: Your Honor, this is marked as
- 8 CX 1599, and it is labeled Classes of
- 9 Cholesterol-Lowering Drugs, Percentage of Total Sales,
- 10 1996.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Would it be possible for me to go
- 12 to the screen?
- 13 MR. SILBER: Sure. Your Honor, with your
- 14 permission?
- 15 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 16 THE WITNESS: What I've tried to do -- to
- answer Mr. Silber's question, Niacor-SR was meant to be
- one of a group of drugs to treat the broad condition of
- 19 what we refer to as hyperlipidemia, that is, I think we
- 20 generally think of it as high cholesterol, high blood
- 21 cholesterol. It's, of course, a little bit more
- 22 complicated than that, but that's close enough.
- 23 And just to put Niacor-SR in context without
- 24 trying to -- you know, to overdo this lecture, I think
- it's important to see where it fits in the general

- 1 realm of cholesterol-lowering drugs. And these data
- 2 were actually derived from a document that was one of
- 3 the documents that I was presented that came from
- 4 Schering-Plough, and Schering-Plough got these data
- 5 from what I believe is the most accepted and most
- 6 widely used source of pharmaceutical sales data, IMS.
- 7 The year is 1996.
- 8 As you can see, by far, the largest market for
- 9 drugs that treat high cholesterol are drugs that are
- 10 referred to as the statins, and the statins are a group
- 11 of drugs that inhibit a specific enzyme, that's HMG-CoA
- 12 reductase. The significance of that is -- and the
- 13 reason I'll dwell on this a little bit is that the
- statins, from the perspective of a guy who discovers
- drugs for a living or has anyway, it -- are almost
- 16 perfect drugs in that this particular enzyme, HMG-CoA
- 17 reductase, catalyzes the rate-limiting step in the
- 18 synthesis by the body of cholesterol.
- 19 It converts a chemical called
- 20 hydroxymethylglutaryl into another chemical called
- 21 mevalonic acid, mevalonate, and mevalonate is a
- 22 precursor of cholesterol, but the key thing is that
- 23 this enzymatic step is what we refer to as rate
- 24 limiting. So, if you slow down that step with a drug,
- you slow down the rate of synthesis of cholesterol in

- 1 the body, and you do it specifically.
- 2 So, the statins have just revolutionized the
- 3 treatment of high cholesterol in people, and it does
- 4 exactly what one wants it to do in that it raises the
- 5 level of HDL, high density lipoproteins, and it lowers
- 6 LDL, the so-called bad cholesterol. So, that's why
- 7 it's got 75 percent of the market. The market's
- 8 actually bigger than that now. They actually have a
- 9 bigger chunk of the market now.
- 10 BY MR. SILBER.
- 11 Q. Dr. Levy, are you familiar of with some of the
- 12 names under which the statins are marketed?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Could you give us a couple illustrations?
- 15 A. Yes, Zocor is one, you know, there's -- there's
- 16 five or six of them that are -- that are prominently
- 17 prevalent, so...
- 18 O. Okav.
- 19 A. The other class -- and here it's 19 percent, I
- think that percentage is probably lower now, which is a
- 21 class of drugs called the fibrates, and these drugs
- 22 antedated the statins and are not used as widely,
- because first of all, they are not as efficacious, and
- 24 secondly, the mechanism is really not very clearly
- 25 understood, and thirdly, they have some adverse effects

- 1 that are -- that are unpleasant. They can cause
- 2 gallstones. They can cause a condition called
- 3 rhabdomyolysis, just some problems with them, but they
- 4 are still more widely used than any of the other drugs
- 5 here.
- The third group is referred to as the bile acid
- 7 sequestrants, and these drugs act largely in the GI
- 8 tract, and to make -- to simplify things, they prevent
- 9 the absorption of cholesterol into the bloodstream, and
- so they act in a very different way than either of
- 11 these others.
- Now, niacin occupies a trivial share of the
- 13 market. Niacin is a vitamin. It was found several
- 14 years ago that very high doses of niacin can cause a
- lowering of the bad cholesterol, of LDL, and also cause
- 16 somewhat of an elevation of HDL. So, they do good
- things, but niacin has virtually unacceptable side
- 18 effects. Patient compliance with -- in taking niacin
- 19 for lowering cholesterol is virtually zero. That's why
- it's so infrequently used.
- 21 And the reason for that is that it causes a
- 22 rather severe flushing reaction, that is, you get red
- and itchy, and patients don't like to be red and itchy,
- 24 and so the frequency with which patients will comply
- 25 with taking niacin is -- is very small, particularly

- 1 when they have an alternative like the statins.
- What went on -- and germane to Mr. Silber's
- 3 question to me about what is Niacor-SR -- was that the
- 4 industry has recognized that niacin does have some good
- 5 effects in terms of lowering LDL and increasing HDL
- 6 particularly, and so they hoped that they could find a
- 7 way to present niacin in doses where it would be
- 8 efficacious but where this flushing side effect would
- 9 be -- would not be a problem. And so the theory was
- 10 that if you give the niacin very slowly rather than
- 11 giving in a pill a big bolus, that the -- you'll get
- the good effect and you won't get the flushing effect.
- 13 And so there was some sustained release or slow
- 14 release forms of this drug that were prepared. And for
- reasons that I don't think are understood, and I
- 16 certainly -- I know I don't understand them, these slow
- 17 release forms were found to be toxic to the liver, and
- 18 so they never got -- they never saw the light of day.
- 19 They were never approved. They were not used just
- 20 because they had this liver toxicity.
- 21 Well, Niacor-SR was an attempt to do this; that
- 22 is, to release niacin slowly into the bloodstream and
- obviate this flushing side effect. That's -- I'm
- sorry, that's a long-winded answer to Mr. Silber's
- 25 question of what is Niacor-SR. So, Niacor-SR is an

- 1 attempt to deliver niacin in a dose that will lower
- 2 cholesterol and in a way that will not have side
- 3 effects.
- Q. Dr. Levy, you've talked about the sustained
- 5 release forms of niacin. Are you familiar with a
- 6 sustained release niacin that's on the market now?
- 7 A. Yes, I am.
- 8 Q. And what is that drug?
- 9 A. Niaspan.
- 10 Q. Okay. If we could have the next slide, which
- 11 is CX 576.
- 12 This was a slide that I believe Dr. Bresnahan
- used in his presentation in which he indicated that he
- 14 relied upon your report, and what I'd like you to do is
- simply kind of walk us through Dr. Bresnahan's slide
- 16 and share with us your opinion on the different
- 17 characteristics he looked at.
- 18 A. Okay. Well, I mean, both drugs are listed and,
- 19 you know, Kos is the manufacturer of Niaspan. Product
- 20 type, I agree that they're both intended to be
- 21 sustained release forms of niacin. Therapeutic
- 22 efficacy, there are some subtle differences between
- them, but I think that that's fine. I mean, to say
- 24 that they are equivalent in -- from the perspective of
- efficacy, again, I think is a reasonable statement.

1	Dosage, Niaspan has a very considerable
2	advantage over Niacor-SR. Niaspan was studied and is
3	sold as a once-a-day drug. Niacor was a twice-a-day
4	drug. Remember, what we're talking about here is
5	patient compliance. A big deal in the pharmaceutical
6	industry is to go from being a four-times-a-day drug to
7	a twice-a-day drug or a twice-a-day drug to a
8	once-a-day drug, because patients simply have a much
9	higher level of compliance the more frequent the
LO	more infrequently a drug has to be administered, and so
L1	having a once-a-day drug as opposed to a twice-a-day
L2	drug was a very considerable market advantage.
L3	Side effects to me represent one of the truly
L 4	major differences between these two drugs. Niaspan did
L5	seem to diminish, certainly didn't eliminate, this
L6	flushing problem. To show you how bad the flushing is,
L7	Niaspan was effective in diminishing this flushing, but
L8	it still caused flushing in 88 percent of patients.
L9	So, that's better than 98 percent, but so, it and
20	it also diminished the intensity of the flushing, but
21	it was still it still had plenty of problems.
22	But the key thing about Niaspan was that it did
23	not have the apparent liver toxicity that had been seen
24	with the previous attempts to make a sustained release
25	niacin, and so it succeeded in that regard And

- 1 Niacor-SR did not. Niacor-SR in the scant data that
- 2 I've seen, and for that matter Schering-Plough has
- 3 seen, had absolute and clear evidence that would
- 4 suggest hepatotoxicity.
- 5 The licensed area for Niaspan was -- Niaspan
- 6 was available worldwide. Niacor-SR was only available
- 7 in the non-NAFTA countries, and for Schering-Plough,
- 8 who has -- although it's an international company, its
- 9 presence in the Far East is not very strong compared to
- 10 other major pharmaceutical companies. Its principal
- international presence among the two major markets,
- 12 that is, the Far East and Europe, is in Europe. And so
- Niaspan being available worldwide, Niacor-SR being
- 14 available non-NAFTA but essentially in the EU I think
- is an advantage of Niaspan.
- 16 Regulatory approval, Niaspan was approved
- approximately a month after the deal that we're talking
- about here, the license agreement between the two
- 19 parties was executed. So, Niaspan was approved in
- 20 either July or August of 1997 and has been on the
- 21 market since.
- The final element was one that was raised by
- 23 the respondents, and that was the fact that in the very
- 24 early and essentially preliminary negotiations or
- 25 discussions that went on between the -- between Kos and

- 1 Schering-Plough, Kos was indicating that it wanted, in
- 2 order to give the license to Schering for the U.S., it
- 3 wanted what they referred to as a primary detailing.
- 4 That is, that when the salesperson calls upon the
- 5 physician, the first thing he pulls out of his bag
- 6 would be Niaspan , and this was something that was not
- 7 acceptable to Schering since it has other drugs that it
- 8 might like this guy to pull out of his bag first.
- 9 Now, remember, this was only for the U.S.
- 10 market where this -- where this issue was raised. It
- 11 had nothing to do with what would or would not have
- been done in the European market. So, I list this as
- an advantage, but it's probably moot in terms of the
- 14 issues in this case.
- And then finally, the \$60 million noncontingent
- 16 payment was indeed paid by Schering-Plough for this
- 17 product. I think there's testimony that would suggest
- 18 that no unrestricted noncontingent payment would have
- 19 been required were Schering to have indeed gone forward
- 20 and chose to license Niaspan.
- Q. Dr. Levy, going through these characteristics,
- 22 you talked about the regulatory approval status for
- Niaspan, indicating that a month after the June '97
- deal with Schering and Upsher, that product was
- 25 approved. I think you failed to give us information on

- 1 the regulatory status of Niacor at the time of the
- deal, if you could just elaborate on that.
- A. At the time of the deal?
- 4 O. Yes.
- 5 A. It was -- well, what Upsher-Smith represented
- 6 was that it was ready or would be ready to file what's
- 7 referred to as a new drug application with the U.S.
- 8 Food and Drug Administration in December of 1997; that
- 9 is, approximately six months after the deal was
- 10 executed. That -- and Schering-Plough then intended to
- 11 use that U.S. filing in support or partial support of
- 12 the filings that it intended to make in the European
- 13 Union.
- 14 Upsher-Smith never came close to making that
- 15 NDA filing and indeed but a few months after this deal
- was executed abandoned the project.
- 17 Q. Thank you.
- 18 Your Honor, I'm about to start to go more into
- 19 a substantive opinion. We can continue or if you would
- 20 like to take a break at this point.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: It's about 11:05. Let's take
- 22 a 15-minute recess.
- MR. SILBER: Thank you.
- 24 (A brief recess was taken.)
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Let's reconvene docket 9297.

- 1 You may proceed.
- 2 MR. SILBER: Paula, if I could have the slide
- 3 summarizing Dr. Levy's opinion. Actually, we had set
- 4 this up so that other points were supposed to be grayed
- out, and I continue to see them. Let's go back to the
- first slide so we can see them.
- 7 BY MR. SILBER:
- 8 Q. All right, Dr. Levy, getting to your
- 9 substantive opinion, you've shared with us that you've
- 10 reached the conclusion that the \$60 million
- 11 noncontingent payment was not for Niacor. Looking at
- 12 the first opinion under there, that the noncontingent
- unrestricted \$60 million payment was grossly excessive,
- if we could start by going through some terminology,
- and if you could discuss with us the general terms that
- 16 are used in licensing deals for pharmaceuticals.
- 17 A. The general terms? I'm not sure I understand.
- 18 Q. The different types of payments.
- 19 A. Oh, oh, I'm sorry. Yes, I actually prepared a
- 20 slide on that issue as well. May I have that slide?
- Q. Sure, and this slide is CX 1602.
- 22 And Your Honor, with your permission, if Dr.
- 23 Levy could illustrate from the board?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may.
- THE WITNESS: Sorry.

1	What I tried to illustrate here are the
2	components of the payment components that comprise
3	the typical licensing deal, and there are three major
4	groups or types of payments that are typically
5	associated with any licensing transaction. I'll go
6	through each of them, if I may.
7	The first of these I refer to as licensing
8	consideration, and I'll come back to that in a moment
9	with a little bit more discussion.
LO	Milestone payments are quite different from
L1	licensing consideration. Milestone payments are
L2	contingent upon performance. They may be, for
L3	instance, linked to the filing of a registration
L 4	document, like a new drug application; the approval of
L5	that document in various markets. They may be those
L 6	payments may be linked to the products reaching a
L7	certain level of sales, \$200 million, \$300 million,
L8	\$500 million, but the key thing is those payments are
L9	contingent upon some element of performance, either by
20	the licensor or by the product or both.
21	And then thirdly, royalty payments which are
22	simply a percentage typically of the net sales of the
23	product in the various markets in which it's licensed.
24	Going back to the first of these, I think these
25	are the sort of distinctions that I'd like to try to

- 1 make clear, if I may, because they're quite germane to
- 2 the major matter at hand. Within this broad category
- 3 that we refer to as licensing consideration are three
- 4 types of payments, and they're very different.
- 5 The first of these are simply cash licensing
- 6 fees. This is the type of fee that was paid in this --
- 7 that's the subject of this discussion. The \$60 million
- 8 payment was a cash, noncontingent fee, licensing fee,
- 9 and the only thing that the licensee got for that was
- 10 the opportunity to do the deal, and it was -- and there
- 11 were no strings attached to it, if you will, other than
- 12 signing the document.
- Now, a second is an equity investment. Very
- 14 frequently in transactions between a large company and
- a small company, it behooves the small company to have
- 16 the large company make an equity investment in it. Two
- things happen to the small company in this situation.
- 18 First, they get the credibility of the large company,
- 19 in this case say Schering-Plough making an equity
- 20 investment in the small company, it gives it
- 21 credibility in the marketplace, and secondly, it, of
- course, brings cash into the company for the sale of
- 23 that stock.
- 24 But what's key here is that the licensee, the
- 25 payer, also gets something, it gets stock. So,

- 1 regardless of what happens to the deal, regardless of
- 2 what happens to the drug, this stock has value, and I
- 3 can give you a very interesting personal experience
- 4 with that.
- 5 When I was at Abbott, I was involved with a
- 6 deal that Abbott did with AMGen. AMGen is now by far
- 7 the most successful of all the biotechnology companies.
- 8 It has a huge market capitalization. Well, Abbott did
- 9 a deal with AMGen where it got for a \$5 million equity
- investment 6 percent of the company. It also got as
- 11 part of this transaction the right of first negotiation
- on the first two of AMGen's products.
- 13 What's significant here is that Abbott was not
- able to out-bid, for instance, Johnson & Johnson for
- one of AMGen's exciting products. So, it didn't get
- 16 the product, but it still got the equity. I believe it
- was seven years later, Abbott sold this \$5 million
- 18 worth of stock for I believe it was \$465 million. So,
- 19 they did okay on that deal regardless of their not
- 20 having gotten the drug.
- 21 And indeed, as we'll see later in some of the
- 22 analogous transactions that Schering-Plough has done
- 23 where it bought as part of the licensing transaction
- 24 equity in the company, that equity has increased in
- value considerably. So, bottom line is they got

- 1 something other than just the opportunity to do the
- 2 deal.
- 3 The third one that's also under licensing
- 4 consideration is research support. Often times, and
- 5 certainly it's the case here, the product or products
- 6 that are licensed require some additional research to
- 7 be done, typically clinical research, and this research
- 8 can be done by the licensee, by the large company, but
- 9 sometimes it behooves the licensee to pay the licensor
- 10 to do the research.
- 11 Now, this is a good deal for the licensor as
- well, because it gets money, it gets some of its people
- paid for, but it's a great deal for the licensee as
- 14 well, because that research had to be done, whether it
- 15 was paid for and done by their own internal employees
- or this money was used to pay for the licensor's people
- 17 to do it. They're getting something for this money.
- 18 It's not just, you know, a check being written with no
- 19 strings attached.
- 20 May I have the next slide, please?
- 21 O. Sure.
- 22 A. This one --
- 23 Q. Let me just introduce this as CX 1602 labeled
- 24 as Deal Size.
- 25 A. This I think introduces a term that I've

- 1 certainly come across frequently in my reading some of
- 2 the respondents' documents here, and I want to
- 3 introduce it at this time, lest there be any confusion
- 4 about what these terms mean. The fee that we're
- 5 talking about in this case is this one, cash licensing
- 6 fees. That's what the \$60 million was. There were no
- 7 contingencies attached to it whatsoever. The check was
- 8 written or the checks were written, and that's -- and
- 9 that was it.
- 10 Deal size is a very, very different term. It
- includes all three elements of licensing consideration
- 12 plus all the milestone payments, and as I've tried to
- illustrate here, the milestone payments in almost every
- 14 licensing deal are much larger than the license fees,
- and indeed, in virtually every one of Schering's other
- 16 transactions that we'll discuss today, the milestone
- payments were considerably larger than the license
- 18 fees. And so I don't want the Court to be confused by
- 19 using -- by confusing this term, "deal size," with this
- 20 term, "cash license fee," or "noncontingent,
- 21 unrestricted license fee."
- Q. And Dr. Levy, these three areas, licensing
- 23 consideration, milestone payments, royalty payments,
- these are the major payment terms that are subject to
- 25 negotiation when parties are negotiating a

- pharmaceutical license?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. Okay. And from a licensee's perspective, what
- 4 does a licensee prefer? Does it prefer to have
- 5 noncontingent payments generally or does it prefer to
- 6 have milestone payments?
- 7 A. Well, this is always -- I mean, this is a
- 8 subject of negotiation. The -- the licensee always
- 9 wants to pay little or nothing in the license fee. The
- 10 licensor, of course, would like to get as much cash up
- 11 front as it can get with as few strings attached to it
- 12 as it possibly can get.
- The only time when license fees rise above a
- 14 fairly -- a very low level is when there is
- 15 considerable competitive activity for this -- for this
- 16 product and when the product has enormous upside
- 17 potential. Even then, the license fees are kept at a
- 18 modest level compared to the overall size of the deal
- 19 and compared to the sales potential and earnings
- 20 potential and cash flow potential of a licensed
- 21 product.
- In contrast, milestone payments are often very
- 23 generous, because pharmaceutical companies --
- 24 pharmaceuticals, branded pharmaceuticals, are very
- 25 profitable. Once the product is approved and we can

- get in the market with it, we're -- we're more than
- 2 happy to share the benefits, if you will, with the
- 3 licensor, with the originator of the product, and so,
- 4 for instance, in this country, one can easily see
- 5 milestone payments upon the approval of an NDA \$20,
- 6 \$30, \$40 million, but that's -- you know, you're on the
- 7 doorstep of making money with the drug then. It's
- 8 very, very different.
- 9 Q. A moment ago when you were describing what kind
- of drives up the noncontingent payments, you used the
- 11 term "competitive activity." Could you elaborate on
- 12 that a bit, what kind of competitive activity there is?
- 13 A. Well, for -- for instance, for some of the
- 14 products that Schering-Plough itself has licensed in
- other transactions, there are a number of other
- 16 companies that had an interest in licensing these
- 17 products. I've certainly seen that in some of the
- 18 licensing transactions with which I've been involved,
- 19 and I mentioned one a moment ago with AMGen where, you
- 20 know, Abbott would have loved to have gotten
- 21 erythropoietin, but Johnson & Johnson got it because
- 22 Johnson & Johnson really had more to offer in various
- aspects of the auction, and it's really a function of
- there being some competitive pressure on the parties.
- 25 And one of the main things that one can negotiate to

- 1 make your offer more attractive is more money up front
- 2 in the form of a license fee.
- 3 Q. Now, we've been talking in general about how
- 4 licensing deals are structured. In your work in this
- 5 matter, have you had the opportunity to look at
- 6 Schering's licensing transactions to see how they
- 7 structure noncontingent payments versus milestone
- 8 payments?
- 9 A. Yes, I have.
- 10 Q. Can you describe for us in general what you've
- 11 learned?
- 12 A. In general, with the exception of this
- 13 transaction, all of Schering's other license -- license
- deals look just like all the other deals that I've seen
- 15 throughout the pharmaceutical industry.
- 16 Q. Now, let's turn to the specific deal in issue
- 17 here, the Niacor-SR deal. Can you describe for us how
- that deal's payments were structured?
- 19 A. Yes, I think there's a slide on that as well,
- 20 if I may.
- 21 Q. And just to note for identification, this is
- 22 CX 1601 titled Niacor-SR Deal Terms.
- 23 A. Yes. Simply stated, the licensing
- 24 consideration was by far the dominant element of
- 25 payment in this transaction. There was a \$60 million

- 1 cash unrestricted, noncontingent fee that was paid in
- 2 three separate installments, \$28 million upon signing,
- 3 \$20 million one year after execution, and \$12 million
- 4 two years after that.
- 5 The milestone payments were -- well,
- 6 potentially could have totaled \$10 million. Now, these
- 7 milestone payments were each contingent upon the
- 8 approval of Niacor-SR in various foreign jurisdictions.
- 9 There was, if I remember correctly, a million dollar
- 10 payment due for each of the six or seven European
- 11 countries. There was a million dollar payment due upon
- 12 approval in Latin America, and there was a \$2 million
- payment due upon approval of Niacor-SR in Japan, and
- that totaled \$10 million.
- Then the royalties were, again, very typical
- 16 for a transaction like this. A 10 percent royalty was
- 17 called for with the first \$50 million in sales, and
- 18 were the product to achieve \$50 million in sales, 15
- 19 percent royalty on the excess beyond that. I would say
- that these two elements were very typical of a
- licensing transaction and, you know, these two parts
- 22 looked exactly like any license deal, a license deal
- 23 for a product like this.
- Q. What about the \$60 million noncontingent
- 25 payment?

- 1 A. This was just totally out of whack with any
- 2 reality I could imagine.
- 3 Q. Okay. When we had your slide up before with
- 4 your first point on the size of the payment, you used
- 5 the term "grossly excessive." What factors led you to
- 6 that conclusion that the payment was grossly excessive?
- 7 A. I think two types of facts. The first was that
- 8 on an absolute basis, the \$60 million payment was
- 9 larger than anything I had ever seen up to that time
- 10 for any drug, and on top of that was the fact that on a
- 11 relative basis, this drug was at best a minor drug, and
- when one looks at it in the context of pharmaceutical
- 13 opportunities in general, it was -- it had, you know,
- 14 very low value.
- If you will, I think there's a slide that
- 16 illustrates this a bit, if I may have the next one.
- Q. And this slide is marked as CX 1603 labeled Top
- 18 500 Drugs in 2000, Worldwide Sales.
- 19 A. Just to put this in perspective, what I've done
- 20 here on the left side of this slide is to list the top
- 21 15 drugs' worldwide sales, and --
- Q. Actually, Dr. Levy, if I may, before we go into
- 23 this in detail, can you tell us what this is based
- 24 upon, what the survey was for this data?
- 25 A. Yes, one of the -- one of the more useful

- 1 publications in our industry has the odd name of MedAd
- News, and they -- it's a monthly publication that is
- 3 quite likely read throughout the branded pharmaceutical
- 4 and even generic pharmaceutical industry, that once a
- 5 year they have a whole issue devoted to the sales of
- 6 the various drugs, both listing them all together, as
- 7 this, and then they break out the various drugs into
- 8 different classes, anti-infectives, anticancer,
- 9 neurologic and so on. So, it's a very useful and I
- 10 think a very authoritative publication.
- 11 Q. I'm sorry, proceed, please.
- 12 A. Fine. Okay, shown here, just to put this all
- in context, are the sales of the top 15 drugs, and as
- one can see, the number one selling drug, Prilosec,
- which is a drug to treat GI disease, had sales in 2000
- 16 of over \$6 billion worldwide. Number two and number
- three, by the way, are statins, Zocor and Lipitor.
- 18 Interestingly again, number five is Schering's by far
- 19 biggest selling drug, and that's Claritin, selling \$3
- 20 billion worldwide. So, these are big drugs.
- Now, over here, what I've tried to do is just
- 22 to put in context Niacor-SR in this realm, and what
- 23 I've done is taken the most optimistic number that the
- 24 parties have ever presented in this case; that is, \$140
- 25 million of annual sales for Niacor-SR. I might say

- 1 that several experts in this case, including some of
- 2 Schering-Plough's own executives, have doubted that
- 3 sales would ever reach more than \$50 or \$60 million.
- 4 That fact notwithstanding --
- 5 MS. SHORES: Your Honor, I -- I'm sorry, I
- 6 would object to his -- unless he is going to lay a
- 7 foundation for that, I would object to his summarizing
- 8 what he believes the evidence is as to that. There is
- 9 no foundation.
- 10 MR. SILBER: I am happy to withdraw that
- 11 statement. I think Dr. Levy can just testify to the
- 12 slide.
- 13 THE WITNESS: I apologize if I said something
- 14 out of line --
- 15 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Hold on, sir.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 17 JUDGE CHAPPELL: There's an objection pending.
- 18 Are you withdrawing the objection if he's
- 19 withdrawing the question?
- 20 MS. SHORES: If he -- if the Court will strike
- 21 his testimony in that regard, I will withdraw the
- 22 objection.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I will disregard it.
- MS. SHORES: Fair enough.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.

- 1 MS. SHORES: Fair enough, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- 3 BY MR. SILBER:
- 4 Q. Please proceed.
- 5 A. At any rate, the \$140 million number came from
- 6 Mr. Audibert's projections on the sales of this drug,
- 7 and his peak sales reached \$140 million, and that's the
- 8 number I chose. And that fact notwithstanding, this
- 9 drug still wound up below number 300. So, here it is
- 10 with the largest noncontingent payment of which I am
- 11 aware up to that time, and it -- for a drug that at
- 12 best would have ranked number 305 or something.
- 13 Interesting to me, when I prepared this slide,
- I didn't do it on purpose, there's a drug called
- amBisome, which happens to be a drug that I in-licensed
- 16 for LyphoMed and had responsibility for studying and
- 17 ultimately was sold and is sold today by Fujisawa. The
- 18 up-front, noncontingent payment on the deal that I did
- 19 was zero. The milestone payments were \$4 million for
- 20 amBisome, which actually ranked a couple of ranks above
- 21 Niacor-SR, just to put this in perspective.
- Q. Okay. Dr. Levy, this shows -- this slide, this
- 23 MedAd survey you're using, shows worldwide sales. Now,
- 24 sales figures for Niacor were ex-NAFTA, meaning outside
- of U.S., Canada and Mexico. Why did you use worldwide

- 1 sales here?
- 2 A. Worldwide sales are the numbers that are --
- 3 well, there's two types of numbers that are fairly
- 4 readily available in these types of publications, U.S.
- 5 sales and worldwide sales. Typically as sort of a
- 6 ballpark figure in our industry, we make the assumption
- 7 that U.S. sales are roughly half of the worldwide
- 8 sales. They're now a little bit less than that, but
- 9 that's -- that's -- that's a reasonable approximation,
- and the rest of the world is viewed as the other half,
- 11 and of that, roughly a third is viewed to be the Far
- 12 East, principally Japan, and two-thirds the European
- 13 Union. Again, those are approximations, but I thought
- 14 that the worldwide sales numbers are the most
- 15 authoritative.
- 16 Q. Okay. Dr. Levy, in concluding that the \$60
- 17 million noncontingent payment was grossly excessive,
- have you analyzed specific Schering licensing
- 19 transactions?
- 20 A. Yes, I have.
- Q. And what transactions have you looked at?
- 22 A. I believe -- well, initially we had in our --
- 23 we had 13 license agreements on various transactions
- 24 that had been provided to the Federal Trade Commission
- 25 by Schering-Plough, and I read all of those license

- 1 agreements and summarized the terms of them in my
- 2 report.
- 3 Subsequent to that, we have received further
- 4 information from Schering-Plough which included
- 5 summaries of all of their transactions, which I believe
- 6 numbered 33, where more than a million dollars was paid
- 7 in noncontingent fees, and I looked at the summaries of
- 8 those and any other information that we could get on
- 9 those 33 different Schering-Plough agreements.
- 10 MR. SILBER: Your Honor, at this time I'm going
- 11 to use part of Dr. Levy's report. His report has been
- designated in camera, and I think in particular because
- 13 of this information which summarizes some of the deal
- 14 terms for Schering's other licensing transactions, so I
- think it would probably be appropriate to go in camera
- 16 at this point.
- 17 JUDGE CHAPPELL: All right, Counselor.
- 18 At this time, the public is going to have to
- 19 vacate the courtroom. We are going to cover some
- information that has been ruled to be in camera or off
- 21 the public record. So, if you're not subject to the
- 22 protective order entered in this case, you'll need to
- leave at this time. We will have someone notify you
- 24 when we're open to the public again.
- 25 (The in camera testimony continued in Volume 7,

- 1 Part 2, Pages 1457 through 1491, then resumed as
- 2 follows.)
- 3 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. If I could have the slide with the summary of
- 5 Dr. Levy's opinion?
- 6 Dr. Levy, at this point we've reviewed the
- 7 agreements and the summaries of Schering's licensing
- 8 agreements that you have reviewed, and from the review
- 9 of those materials, what is your opinion regarding
- whether the \$60 million noncontingent payment was for
- 11 Niacor-SR?
- 12 A. I would say that the payment of \$60 million was
- so grossly excessive that I would not think it could
- 14 reasonably have been for Niacor-SR and the associated
- 15 generic drugs.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, in that point on your slide where
- it says the noncontingent, unrestricted \$60 million
- 18 payment was grossly excessive, you refer to the
- 19 payment, the \$60 million payment, but you don't refer
- 20 to the milestone payments or the royalty payments. Why
- 21 is that?
- 22 A. Interestingly to me, I said assuming that I
- 23 were to have completed due diligence on this product
- 24 and assuming that I wanted to license it, assuming --
- and those are bold assumptions, but that -- making that

- 1 stipulation, this deal looks to be a perfectly normal
- 2 deal if you just take away that \$60 million balloon.
- The \$10 million in milestone payments with a
- 4 million dollars for the approval in each of the major
- 5 jurisdictions, with the exception of Japan where it was
- 6 \$2 million, is perfectly in line with the sort of
- 7 milestone payments that I would see and others have
- 8 seen for deals for products like this.
- 9 The 10 percent royalty going to 50 percent
- 10 royalty at a certain sales level of \$50 million, again,
- 11 is perfectly consistent and normal, if you will, within
- 12 the context of the agreements that I've seen and within
- 13 the context of the other agreements that -- that
- 14 Schering has entered into. It's just the license fee
- 15 that was grossly out of line.
- 16 MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, I have an objection
- and a motion to strike. A moment ago, Dr. Levy
- 18 opined -- this is on page 110, lines 12 through 15 of
- 19 the realtime transcript -- that the \$60 million in his
- 20 opinion could not reasonably have been for Niacor-SR
- 21 and the associated generic drugs. Your Honor, there's
- 22 no foundation for that opinion as it affects -- as it
- 23 relates to "associated generic drugs," and that exceeds
- the scope of Dr. Levy's purported expert testimony.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll sustain the objection as

- 1 to other associated drugs. We have heard nothing from
- 2 Dr. Levy on that matter.
- 3 MR. SILBER: Okay. Your Honor, I apologize,
- 4 it's -- the testimony is probably less than clear on
- 5 this point. I believe that Dr. Levy's opinion does
- 6 encompass those drugs, and, in fact, that's what he
- 7 stated in his expert report. If you would like, I'd be
- 8 happy to ask Dr. Levy a couple questions on that point
- 9 to clarify his opinion.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, as of right now, we have
- 11 no foundation for that.
- MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 13 JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, if you would like it
- 14 considered, then I would suggest you do that.
- 15 MR. SILBER: Okav.
- 16 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Dr. Levy, in conducting your analysis in this
- 18 matter, did you consider whether the \$60 million
- 19 payment was appropriate for Niacor-SR and the
- 20 associated generic drugs that were licensed?
- 21 A. Yes, I did, and as you stated a moment ago, I
- 22 did state that in my -- in my written report. I read
- 23 the whole license agreement and looked at each of the
- 24 products that were covered. If I remember correctly,
- in addition to Niacor-SR, there were three other

- 1 generic drugs that were included in this license
- 2 agreement, and one of those generic drugs, potassium
- 3 chloride, was included in three dosage forms. So,
- 4 three different drugs, five different products.
- 5 And in my opinion, the -- first of all, license
- 6 fees and milestone payments and these types of payments
- 7 are just not part of generic drug transactions in my
- 8 experience in that generic drugs, unlike branded drugs,
- 9 have very different sales potential, very different
- 10 profitability, and from the point of view of licensing,
- 11 particularly since these drugs themselves, these
- 12 generic drugs, were relatively minor players in the
- world of generic pharmaceuticals and there were many,
- many other generics on the market.
- 15 For each of these, I thought that the -- the
- 16 value of these drugs was de minimus and that the major
- value, if there was any, in this license agreement was
- 18 in Niacor-SR.
- 19 O. Thank you.
- Your Honor, at this time we have gone through
- 21 the first point of Dr. Levy's opinion. We could embark
- 22 on the second point. I expect that testimony to take
- about an hour and a half, and with your indulgence,
- 24 could we consider doing a lunch break now?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, it's a good time. We're

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1 AFTERNOON SESSION

- 2 (1:36 p.m.)
- 3 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Back on the record, docket
- 4 9297.
- 5 You may proceed.
- 6 MR. SILBER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 7 BY MR. SILBER:
- 8 Q. If I could have the slide summarizing Dr.
- 9 Levy's opinion, please.
- Doctor, we have now gone through your first
- point that the \$60 million payment was not for
- 12 Niacor-SR. We can now go through the second point, the
- due diligence was strikingly superficial. What do you
- mean by "strikingly superficial"?
- 15 A. It just fell dramatically short of any
- 16 evaluation process that I've encountered for a
- 17 pharmaceutical of this type in either my personal
- 18 dealings or for that matter those dealings that I have
- 19 observed other parties doing.
- Q. Can you describe for us how you reached this
- 21 conclusion?
- 22 A. Well, I think first I really just recapitulated
- 23 in my mind the types of processes that I'm accustomed
- 24 to going through and then put the due diligence in this
- 25 case in some context, and I -- I remember when I read

- 1 Mr. Audibert's deposition and a few other parties'
- 2 deposition and the exhibits associated with that
- deposition, I was frankly incredulous that this was all
- 4 there was, and in -- I think I used this term before,
- 5 and I don't want to overuse it -- but in this iterative
- 6 process that I've tried to follow, I actually asked you
- 7 and your colleagues for the rest of it so that I could
- 8 make this evaluation in some sort of, you know,
- 9 reasonable fashion, and we all came to the conclusion
- 10 that that's what there was.
- And what I was trying to do was to put myself
- 12 back in the position in mid-June of 1997 without trying
- 13 to have information that was not available to the
- 14 parties at the time and essentially try to ascertain
- what I might have done had I seen what they saw, and I
- 16 wanted to see everything that they had seen. So, I
- asked for more information, and then when I think I,
- 18 you know, got all there was, came to this conclusion.
- 19 Q. Before going into what was done on this deal in
- 20 more detail, have you prepared a slide that summarizes
- 21 your experience in the industry as to how due diligence
- generally proceeds for a pharmaceutical license?
- 23 A. Yes, I have.
- Q. If we could have CX 1606, which is labeled
- 25 Pharmaceutical Licensing Evaluation Process, and if we

- 1 may, Your Honor, if Dr. Levy could approach the board
- 2 and walk us through this process?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- 4 THE WITNESS: What I've tried to do is just to
- 5 outline the general process that, you know, I'm
- 6 accustomed to, that I've been involved with and that
- 7 I've seen virtually all the other companies that I've
- 8 had anything to do with follow, recognizing that these
- 9 are generalizations and some of the time frames are
- different and some of the boxes are in slightly
- 11 different orders, but this is a pretty strong framework
- 12 or general framework.
- What's typically done, what I've labeled as
- this first box is the preliminary evaluation, and the
- 15 way this generally works -- and indeed, I believe,
- 16 worked in several of the deals that we will look at
- 17 that Schering has engaged in -- the first thing that
- 18 happens is that the licensor, that is, the party that
- 19 has something to license, prepares a simple dossier,
- 20 usually with nonconfidential information in it that
- 21 describes the general nature of the product, what it
- has, what stage it's at and so on, and this is usually
- 23 a, say, 5 to 30 page document, and the licensor sends
- 24 it to any potential licensee that he or she thinks
- 25 might be interested, and this almost always goes to the

- department of the licensee that has various names, but
- 2 it could be licensing or business development. Those
- 3 are the two most common names for this type of
- 4 enterprise.
- 5 What happens during this preliminary evaluation
- 6 is one of the licensing officials looks at this
- 7 information with a couple of things in mind. First,
- 8 the first screen typically is does this fit our
- 9 company? For instance, if this is a drug coming in to
- treat high blood pressure and it's a company like, say,
- 11 Galderma that markets pretty exclusively in the
- dermatology arena, it won't get past that. If it is,
- say, a cardiovascular drug, so be it, and so on.
- But if it comes in to a company like
- Schering-Plough that has a much broader scope in the
- 16 pharmaceutical realm, it will -- that screen will
- 17 usually be passed, except -- so, then maybe the next
- 18 screen would be Schering-Plough will have interests in
- 19 different types of drugs. So, this is a company that
- 20 markets in the infectious disease area, for instance,
- 21 it has some presence in the cardiovascular area, for
- instance, and -- and so a drug in one of those
- 23 categories at least would get past the first screen.
- 24 Then the licensing official will look rather
- 25 superficially at all of the elements that will go into

- 1 the potential of this being a successful deal. You
- 2 know, does the drug look like it's new? Does the drug
- 3 look like it -- preliminarily, looks like it works and
- 4 is safe, or whatever information he has, and is there a
- 5 patent position? He won't investigate a detailed
- 6 patent position, but is there a patent or is there not
- 7 a patent? And then he often will make some preliminary
- 8 inquiries with some of his colleagues, his in-licensing
- 9 colleagues within the company, just for an opinion.
- 10 This is all a preliminary evaluation.
- 11 If it looks good to him at this point, then he
- 12 likely will ask the licensee or the licensor, I mean,
- for a confidential disclosure agreement, and so then
- they enter into an agreement that enables the licensor
- 15 to send a little bit more information, maybe a summary
- of the clinical trial results, maybe some manufacturing
- information, again, a little bit more information,
- 18 still at a preliminary stage, but now the licensing man
- 19 can make a little bit more informed decision about
- whether he wants to go forward.
- 21 Then typically the third step in this kind of
- 22 preliminary evaluation is for there to be an -- you
- know, a face-to-face meeting between the parties.
- 24 Typically, the licensee's licensing executive will make
- 25 a trip to the licensor's place of business,

- 1 particularly if he's not familiar with that company.
- 2 He wants to see what this place looks like, what kind
- 3 of operation do they have, just -- and then he wants to
- 4 meet the parties face to face, because so far all
- 5 they've done is exchange documents, and at that point,
- 6 they may also have some -- just some preliminary
- 7 discussions about what the parties want, not
- 8 negotiations at this point typically, but just to see
- 9 if they're in the same ballpark.
- 10 And if it gets past that stage and if he's
- 11 still interested, then this fellow or one of his
- 12 colleagues in the licensing department will essentially
- 13 become the quarterback for the deal, and he then will
- try to shepherd this process or shepherd this drug
- 15 through the remainder of the company's evaluation
- 16 process. And typically this preliminary evaluation,
- 17 the sort of thing that I just spoke of, which is itself
- 18 a bit iterative, you know, takes somewhere between a
- 19 month and two or three months. Here I've shown it to
- 20 be about six weeks or so.
- 21 Q. Dr. Levy, so everything you've been speaking of
- 22 to this point is solely that first box, preliminary
- 23 evaluation?
- A. Yes, sir, yes, sir.
- Q. And in your experience, how many people are

- 1 usually involved from the licensee's side in conducting
- 2 a preliminary evaluation?
- A. Oh, it can be one person. Usually he talks
- 4 with his colleagues. He may talk with somebody in R&D.
- 5 He may talk with somebody in marketing just to get a
- 6 feel, to bounce his ideas, but a small group.
- 7 Q. Okay. Then it goes on to the next step?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. If you can continue.
- 10 A. The next box, and as I said before, sometimes
- 11 these go in different order, this fellow in the
- 12 licensing department, this quarterback, if you will,
- 13 will typically identify the general areas of question
- about this product, but almost always -- not always,
- but almost always -- the next step is research and
- development.
- 17 And here it goes to the -- the quarterback
- takes it to the R&D director or the R&D director's
- 19 administrator and tells him about the product, tells
- 20 him about his level of enthusiasm for the product, and
- 21 now wants the R&D people to assign their real experts
- 22 in this field to look at the various facets of this
- 23 drug, so that the licensing guy -- I mean, he's an
- 24 experienced pharmaceutical man, you know, he knows that
- a drug has to be safe and effective, he knows the

- 1 general classes of drugs, he's a knowledgeable
- 2 generalist, if you will, but he's not the guy to
- 3 evaluate a clinical trial, he's not the guy to evaluate
- 4 drug safety, he's not the guy to evaluate
- 5 manufacturing, et cetera, et cetera. It goes to the
- 6 experts.
- 7 So, within R&D, there will be one or two or
- 8 three people who evaluate the pharmacology, somebody
- 9 who evaluates the chemistry, somebody who evaluates the
- 10 toxicology, several people who will evaluate the
- 11 clinical trials, look at the protocols for the clinical
- 12 trials, look at how the trials will be conducted. And
- 13 then they almost invariably, within R&D, after they've
- looked at this information, including the confidential
- information, will make a site visit, and this will
- 16 usually be comprised of, depending on the information
- they are going to look at it, these scientific experts
- 18 in this field.
- 19 So, for instance, a drug that had been through
- 20 Phase III clinical trials, like Niacor-SR, where there
- 21 supposedly is a lot of clinical data, all that had been
- 22 provided, that typically would have been provided as a
- 23 summary, but now these guys have to go to the site and
- 24 really look at the real McCoy. These guys have to look
- 25 at the data. They don't just look at, you know, a

- 1 two-page summary. They look at the data. They look at
- 2 how the data were acquired. They look at the -- they
- 3 will typically look at the raw data.
- They want to look at what we call the case
- 5 report forms, because if they don't do it, they can be
- 6 sure the FDA will, and so if these case report forms
- 7 are inadequately filled out, if the data are not
- 8 properly processed, if there are holes anywhere, it
- 9 will come out in the FDA's audit, so you may as well
- 10 know that before you dive into this project.
- So, you have experts, real experts, people who
- do this for a living go and look at these data and come
- forth with the problems, and there's always questions.
- 14 There's always questions that are raised in one aspect
- or another, and one identifies those questions for
- 16 further investigation, and then in this iterative
- 17 process, the R&D person will say, you know, I'd like to
- 18 know more about this or I'd like to know more about
- 19 that, and they have the opportunity to question the
- 20 licensor's experts in this area, look at data, consult
- 21 their own experts, consult their colleagues in-house
- 22 and go through the process of trying to find out if the
- 23 data that exists on this product are sound and
- 24 supportive of the ultimate safety and effectiveness of
- 25 this drug so that it can be licensed as a

- 1 pharmaceutical.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Do you have an objection?
- MS. SHORES: Your Honor, I just wondered if we
- 4 might have more questions and answers. I don't know
- 5 that I would have any objections to Dr. Levy's
- 6 testimony in this area, but if I would, if I could at
- 7 least have the opportunity to make one.
- 8 JUDGE CHAPPELL: The objection's sustained.
- 9 We've got too much narrative going on here, Counselor.
- 10 MR. SILBER: Very well, Your Honor.
- 11 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Proceed.
- 12 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Dr. Levy, you had mentioned experts in R&D that
- 14 are involved in this process.
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. What kind of training do those individuals
- 17 have?
- 18 A. Almost all of them have a doctorate degree.
- 19 The people who do the clinical evaluations are
- 20 typically M.D.s, although some of the most effective
- ones I've encountered have Ph.D.s. So, it doesn't
- 22 require medical training, it requires a familiarity
- with clinical research, but they almost all have
- 24 doctorates. And then the people who do toxicologic
- evaluations and pharmacological evaluations and

- 1 clinical evaluations are almost always Ph.D.s.
- 2 Q. You had discussed the site visits that take
- 3 place in this process when the licensee goes and looks
- 4 at documents at the licensor's site. What type of
- 5 interactions take place between the parties in this R&D
- 6 review?
- 7 A. It's a pretty dispersive interaction. I mean,
- 8 confidential disclosure agreements have been executed
- 9 between the parties, and the R&D guys are in there to
- find out anything and everything that they want to
- 11 know. I mean, they -- and so they will typically ask
- 12 the counterparts, their counterparts in the licensor's
- organization, you know, to see this or if they have a
- 14 question about a certain study that was done, they will
- want to look at that study.
- 16 If they're interested in, say, some animal
- 17 toxicology data, I've seen it often where they say I'm
- 18 going to look at the actual microscope slides. I want
- 19 to look at it. I don't want to take the word from even
- your toxicologist. I want to go look at the slides.
- I've seen that several times. So, as I said, it's an
- 22 interaction between the parties in an effort for the
- 23 licensee to discover -- to get his questions answered.
- Q. Now, at this point we've gotten through the
- 25 preliminary evaluation, we've gotten through the

- 1 research and development review. How much time has
- 2 elapsed since the licensee first started looking at
- 3 this drug?
- A. Oh, well, on this chart I think I've shown
- 5 about three months, and this is a fairly aggressive
- 6 schedule. This whole chart really assumes that this
- 7 product has been given high priority within the
- 8 company, where the licensing guy has enough clout in
- 9 the company and has enough excitement about the product
- 10 to say let's do this quickly, and, you know, to put it
- 11 through R&D in a month or two months is pretty
- 12 aggressive.
- 13 Q. Now that we're through R&D, on the next line
- 14 you have four boxes lined up side by side which are
- financial, regulatory affairs, intellectual property
- 16 and commercial assessment. Why have you set these up
- 17 side by side?
- 18 A. Because they happen in a typical case more or
- 19 less simultaneously.
- Q. Okay. And if you could start with the first
- box there, financial, and tell us what type of review
- is done there.
- 23 A. All right, well, up here, typically the
- 24 licensing person in this preliminary evaluation has run
- 25 a few preliminary numbers, I mean just to see if it --

- 1 pardon the vulgarity of it -- but just does it smell
- 2 right, does it make sense, does it fit, but he's not a
- 3 finance guy. He's not typically a person with a strong
- 4 financial background.
- 5 It goes down here to the professionals, the
- 6 people in the -- in the controller's office, in the
- 7 general financial areas of the company that can do the
- 8 detailed financial analyses looking at the myriad
- 9 financial factors that impact the financial decisions
- 10 regarding this product.
- 11 Q. And what type of background do these people who
- 12 do the financial review have?
- 13 A. You know, to be honest, I'm not as familiar
- with what the finance people have as training across
- 15 the board. I know that many of them have CPA degrees,
- 16 and some of them have MBA degrees and some have both.
- Q. Okay, let's move on to the next box, which is
- 18 regulatory affairs. What type of review is done there?
- 19 A. Yes, now, typically -- I've drawn these boxes
- separately, but there's a lot of interaction that goes
- 21 on between regulatory affairs and research and
- 22 development in this matter, but just to sort of try to
- 23 keep it simplistic for explanation, the regulatory
- 24 affairs people are individuals who are expert in the
- 25 regulations that the various and sundry regulatory

- 1 jurisdictions impose upon the approval of a
- pharmaceutical product.
- 3 They know the nuances of the regulations. They
- 4 know the types of information that will be required for
- 5 different types of drugs. They have their finger on
- 6 the pulse of the regulatory authorities, so they know,
- 7 if you will, what the changing winds are within the
- 8 offices, whether they be in Rockville, Maryland or in
- 9 foreign jurisdictions, and usually there's sort of two
- 10 groups here.
- 11 One deal with what we would refer to as
- domestic issues, that is, people who are expert on FDA
- issues, and then there is a separate group that have
- expertise on foreign regulatory matters, and even
- 15 within those groups, there are people with specific
- 16 expertise on, say, some of the Far Eastern countries
- and some of the European countries, because the bottom
- 18 line of all of them is that they're looking for the
- 19 drug to be safe and effective, but they approach this
- 20 question with slight differences, and one has to know
- 21 the -- those nuances effectively to evaluate the
- 22 information that exists.
- 23 And the other thing that this group does,
- 24 particularly for a drug that is in fairly late stage
- 25 where there are a lot of data, is they look at those

- data and they particularly look at the correspondence,
- 2 all the correspondence that has gone on between the
- 3 Food and Drug Administration and the company, because,
- 4 for instance, you don't get to Phase III clinical
- 5 trials with a pharmaceutical product without having had
- a fair number of interactions with the FDA, and you
- 7 want to know what questions the FDA has raised and
- 8 whether those questions have been answered, or indeed,
- 9 whether those questions are even answerable. And so it
- 10 involves pretty extensive evaluation of the
- 11 communication and interaction with the various
- 12 regulatory authorities.
- 13 I'm sorry to be carrying on a monologue here if
- 14 that's what you --
- MS. SHORES: Same objection, Your Honor.
- 16 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Doctor, you need to listen to
- 17 the question and answer only the question that's asked.
- THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
- 19 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Proceed.
- BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. In doing the regulatory affairs review, you had
- 22 talked about site visits before on other issues.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Are there site visits done as part of
- 25 regulatory review?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And what type of documentation is reviewed in
- 3 such a site visit?
- A. What I just said, you know, that they -- the
- 5 interactions -- internal memos dealing with regulatory
- 6 issues and external memos between the regulatory
- 7 authorities and the various people within the company.
- 8 Q. And what kind of training do people in
- 9 regulatory affairs have to have the kind of expertise
- 10 to review these documents?
- 11 A. They typically come from one of two corners,
- 12 sometimes both. In the old days particularly, these
- 13 fellows often had legal training. Now I think there's
- 14 a little bit more of a movement for them to have
- 15 scientific training, that is, to have come out of the
- 16 R&D departments, but generally there's a mixed bag of
- 17 them where each major regulatory department has people
- 18 that have experience in -- they come at it from the
- 19 legal side and from the scientific side.
- Q. Okay. Moving on to the next box, intellectual
- 21 property, let's just start by identifying the types of
- issues that are reviewed in an intellectual property
- 23 review.
- 24 A. Yes, well, for instance, up here it will have
- been ascertained whether there are patents issued,

- 1 whether there are patent applications, and that's about
- 2 it.
- 3 Down here, the question really becomes how good
- 4 are those applications, how good are those issued
- 5 patents? And so in-house patent counsel, sometimes
- 6 with the assistance of outside people, look at, again,
- 7 what I think is referred to as the file wrapper; that
- 8 is, you know, the full documentation of the prosecution
- 9 history of a patent.
- 10 Q. Let's move along to the last box there,
- 11 commercial assessment. Describe for us what issues are
- 12 evaluated in a commercial assessment.
- 13 A. Well, this is again a -- these are typically
- 14 people from the marketing area, and these are typically
- the people who are going to have the obligation and
- 16 responsibility to sell the drug. You know, this fellow
- 17 will have done a commercial assessment, but then he's
- 18 going to walk away. He's not going to have to sell --
- 19 Q. When you say "this fellow," the preliminary
- 20 evaluation box?
- 21 A. I'm sorry, yes, the people -- the licensing
- 22 department people typically are also not the people who
- 23 are having to have responsibility to sell as well, and
- 24 so the people here in commercial assessment, the
- 25 marketing people, are going to have that

- 1 responsibility, and so they not only have the
- 2 experience, but they have the responsibility to
- 3 generate these numbers and to generate the financial
- 4 potential of the various products, and there's often an
- 5 interesting little interaction between these people and
- 6 these people (indicating), because these people often
- 7 have an incentive to keep those numbers as low as
- 8 possible, because they are going to have to meet those
- 9 numbers if the drug is actually licensed, and so
- 10 there's sometimes a little tension where the champion
- 11 up here, the quarterback, if you will, wants this to be
- 12 bigger than these guys are willing to buy.
- 13 Q. Okay. We've got --
- MS. SHORES: I would object to that last answer
- as nonresponsive to the question. I think the first
- 16 part of it might have been responsive, but I think Dr.
- 17 Levy strayed off into different territories.
- 18 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I am going to overrule that
- 19 objection. I sustained your previous one regarding the
- 20 narrative, and you're right, Ms. Shores, that it wasn't
- 21 responsive to the interjected question by the complaint
- counsel, which was, "When you say 'this fellow,' the
- 23 preliminary evaluation box," but I think it was
- 24 responsive to the pending question which hadn't been
- answered properly, so I am going to overrule the

- 1 objection, but I have sustained two objections for
- 2 narrative, and again, I advise you to listen to the
- 3 question and only answer the question that's asked,
- 4 sir.
- 5 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, sir, I'm just not
- 6 accustomed to this.
- 7 JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- 8 MR. SILBER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 9 BY MR. SILBER:
- 10 Q. Okay, let's move on to the manufacturing
- 11 assessment box, and tell us what type of issues are
- 12 analyzed there.
- 13 A. I'm trying to --
- Q. Yeah, just focus on the type of issues.
- 15 A. Yes, the type of issues are whether the drug
- can be manufactured and by whom.
- Q. Okay. And to make a determination on those
- 18 issues, what does a licensee do to evaluate those
- 19 issues?
- 20 A. That depends on whether or not the licensee
- intends to manufacture the drug itself or whether the
- licensee intends to have the drug manufactured by the
- 23 licensor, or thirdly, whether the intent is to have the
- 24 drug manufactured by an independent third party.
- Q. Okay. If you could elaborate on those three

- 1 things.
- 2 A. Okay, if the drug is going to be manufactured
- 3 in-house, then the question is will the -- will the
- 4 existent manufacturing capability of the company be
- 5 sufficient to make this particular drug, or will there
- 6 need to be, for instance, a new plant built to make
- 7 this drug? And if so, then it goes back up to
- 8 financial analysis, because obviously a plant would
- 9 have to be built.
- 10 If it's going to be manufactured by the
- 11 licensor, then it becomes very important to determine
- 12 whether, indeed, the licensor is capable of
- manufacturing the drug, capable of manufacturing the
- drug to the quality that will be required by the
- 15 regulatory authorities and in the volumes that are
- 16 going to be needed to fill the commercial assessment,
- the marketing projections, that the marketing people
- 18 have come forth with.
- 19 And if it's going to be manufactured by a third
- 20 party, then one has to -- has to ask, well, what is the
- 21 cost going to be? How stable is this third-party
- 22 manufacturer? You know, does this third-party
- 23 manufacturer have the ability, reputation and so on to
- 24 make the drug under what we call CGMP, that is good
- 25 manufacturing practices?

- 1 And so particularly for the second two, this
- 2 would involve an audit where various experts from
- 3 the -- from the manufacturing department of the
- 4 potential licensee will actually visit the site and
- 5 look very carefully at the answers to those questions.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, over to the right from
- 7 manufacturing assessment, you have down the side listed
- 8 deal negotiation. Can you just start by telling us why
- 9 you placed that box in that way on this slide?
- 10 A. Yes, because they'll -- again, one has this
- 11 quarterback here who has been following this process as
- it ensues, and when it looks like it's doing pretty
- 13 well getting through all this, he wants to get a
- running start on it. He doesn't want to wait until
- everything is done. And so he will typically start
- 16 real significant negotiations with the licensor at
- 17 around this point. Things are looking good. Let's get
- 18 started. Let's start talking.
- 19 Q. At this point, when they start talking, what
- 20 type of issues come up? What type of things are they
- 21 discussing at this stage?
- 22 A. Well, there are myriad issues, you know, I mean
- 23 ironically, the deal terms, you know, the financial
- 24 terms that we spoke of earlier are -- I mean, are
- 25 brought up, but they're only one, sometimes even minor

- 1 issues.
- 2 For instance, a major issue that almost always
- 3 comes up deals with the assiduousness of each party.
- 4 The licensor is usually concerned that the licensee
- 5 will develop and market the product aggressively and
- 6 effectively. The licensee is concerned that the
- 7 licensor will finish the development or will, you know,
- 8 provide certain data and the like. And so there are a
- 9 lot of, if you will, performance elements that go into
- 10 these agreements.
- 11 There are a number of -- a lot of debate often
- goes on about who shall own the patents and who shall
- be responsible for the -- for infringements should they
- 14 arise. I don't want to belabor this point unless you
- would like me to, but there are a multitude of issues
- that get discussed in any of these license
- 17 negotiations, depending on the deal and on the
- 18 individual elements of the deal in addition to the
- 19 financial terms, which, of course, are discussed, as
- 20 well as the territory, you know, that the license will
- 21 cover.
- Q. Okay. At this point, have we gotten through
- 23 the evaluation process?
- 24 A. Well, as -- here you haven't. I mean, this is
- 25 the -- the negotiations are going on --

- 1 Q. Let me phrase the question a little more
- 2 clearly.
- 3 A. Okay.
- Q. Once you get through deal negotiation, are you
- 5 generally through the evaluation process?
- 6 A. No, then you have two -- well, in
- 7 Schering-Plough you have two, in some companies you
- 8 have a little more than that, in some companies you
- 9 have less than that, you still have -- after you're
- done with coming to the conclusion that you want the
- 11 drug and that you've negotiated a deal that seems to be
- 12 acceptable to the parties, now you have to put it
- 13 through the top management of the company, and this
- 14 will involve presenting the deal in the instance of the
- 15 current situation to -- it sounded like to this group
- 16 which was called the PRB, which is a large group of --
- or a relatively small group, actually, of the most
- 18 senior people in the company.
- 19 And seeing that deal then went, as they pass
- 20 through that, to the SPOC, or the Schering-Plough
- Operating Committee, and if it got past that, if the
- 22 deal were large enough, I presume, I quess they didn't
- 23 take all their small deals, but any deal of any
- 24 substance, and I don't know what the cut-off point was
- at Schering-Plough, it also had to be approved by the

- 1 board of directors, at least, or the executive
- 2 committee of the board of directors.
- When I was at Abbott, anything over \$3 million,
- 4 I think it was, had to go to the executive committee of
- 5 the board. Anything over \$5 million had to go to the
- 6 board. But that was a while ago, so I presume those
- 7 numbers might be a little bit higher now.
- 8 Q. In your experience in the pharmaceutical
- 9 industry, have you sat on these entities for which
- 10 approval is necessary before a licensing deal is
- 11 completed?
- 12 A. Yes, I have.
- 13 Q. Can you give us a few examples?
- 14 A. Well, at Abbott I was on the Pharmaceutical
- Operating Committee, and so any deal that had to be --
- 16 that was going to be licensed at Abbott went through
- 17 that, and they didn't have the -- at Abbott, the
- 18 structure was a little different, so I actually had it
- 19 twice, because I was on the Commercial -- the
- 20 Commercial Development Committee -- Business
- 21 Development Committee, I mean, as well as the
- 22 Pharmaceutical Operating Committee. So, I got a double
- dose of it.
- And then when I've been on a board of
- directors, of course, you know, that has always been

- 1 the final approval for these -- for these drugs. And
- 2 then also at Fujisawa, you know, I actually chaired the
- 3 Pharmaceutical Operating Committee.
- Q. So, we've now gotten through the whole
- 5 evaluation, gotten through the negotiation, gotten
- 6 through the approval, and then at the bottom, you have
- 7 "deal execution." What does "deal execution" mean?
- 8 A. Sign the deal.
- 9 Q. And is that a significant event for a
- 10 pharmaceutical company?
- 11 A. Yes, it's a -- we usually have a party. I
- 12 mean, it's been a long --
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Excuse me, Doctor. Would you
- 14 read the question back, please, Reporter.
- 15 (The record was read as follows:)
- 16 "QUESTION: And is that a significant event for
- 17 a pharmaceutical company?"
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: See, I believe that's a yes or
- 19 no answer, Doctor. You're anticipating what's to come,
- 20 but you can't do that, okay?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Okay, I'm sorry.
- 22 Yes.
- BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Okay. And why is that a significant event?
- 25 A. It just doesn't happen very often. You know,

- 1 it's a -- we're excited because we have the prospect of
- a new product, and, you know, new pharmaceutical
- 3 products are -- unfortunately don't happen to us every
- 4 day.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, again, how long does this whole
- 6 process take from preliminary evaluation through deal
- 7 execution?
- 8 A. Here I showed it to be approximately six
- 9 months. In my own experience, it's actually usually
- 10 been a bit longer than that, but I'd say the range has
- 11 been from about four months to two and a half years I
- 12 think I've endured one.
- Q. And through this whole process in general, how
- many people are involved in the whole due diligence
- 15 process?
- 16 A. If it gets all the way through the process?
- 17 Q. Yes, and to be clear, also, from the licensee
- 18 side.
- 19 A. Oh, dozens.
- Q. Okay, would you have a seat, please.
- 21 A. Thanks.
- Q. I think I actually asked you to sit down too
- 23 soon.
- A. That's okay.
- Q. Let me ask you a couple questions first.

- 1 Have you had the opportunity to examine the due
- 2 diligence that Schering conducted in looking at
- 3 Niacor-SR?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. And can you describe for us what Schering did
- 6 in evaluating Niacor-SR?
- 7 A. Well, I think that's on another graphic, so I
- 8 see why you want me to get back up again, if I may.
- 9 Q. That slide, Your Honor, is CX 1607 labeled
- 10 Niacor-SR Licensing Evaluation Process, and with your
- 11 permission, Dr. Levy can illustrate again.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, he may.
- MR. SILBER: Thank you.
- 14 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Dr. Levy, starting with this slide, if you
- 16 could start with the preliminary evaluation and tell us
- 17 what was done.
- 18 A. Tell you what was done?
- 19 Q. Well, let me back up.
- If you could just start in general and describe
- 21 for us the evaluation that Schering did in looking at
- 22 Niacor-SR.
- 23 A. As far as I can see, they had what I would
- 24 perceive as a preliminary evaluation package, you know,
- 25 20 or 30 pages of -- or maybe less even of information

- on the product, and they had a single individual, Mr.
- 2 James Audibert, evaluate it, and to my knowledge, he
- 3 made no visits to Upsher-Smith, and so I would say that
- 4 he got, following this slide, about a third of the way
- 5 through the preliminary evaluation.
- Q. What happened after he got a third of the way
- 7 through the preliminary evaluation? And if we could
- 8 have the next graphic.
- 9 A. Well, what happened, he -- he wrote up a
- 10 summary and the deal got executed.
- 11 Q. So, it went in your opinion from preliminary
- 12 evaluation directly to deal execution?
- 13 A. It seemed that way. He discussed it -- I mean,
- 14 all of this information is coming from my having read
- 15 his and a few other depositions. The whole process
- 16 took five days, and -- oh, yes, that's shown here now.
- In a five-day period, it went from signing the CDA on I
- 18 quess it was June 12th and signing the deal on June
- 19 17th, and I think during this period here where I've
- 20 put a question mark, because I really don't know what
- 21 they did, I know that from his testimony and from Mr.
- 22 Lauda's testimony that the two of them conferred, and I
- 23 think there was some conferring as well with Mr. Kapur
- 24 and perhaps even with Mr. Wasserstein, but that's all I
- 25 know of, and then it was -- it was submitted, you know,

- 1 to be signed. The deal was signed.
- 2 Q. Based upon your review of the evidence -- and
- 3 let me just back up a step.
- What have you reviewed regarding the
- 5 evaluation? What type of documentation?
- A. I reviewed the exhibit to Mr. Audibert's
- 7 deposition which I believe he testified to as being the
- 8 information in total that he was provided by
- 9 Upsher-Smith and upon which he relied in making his
- 10 evaluation.
- 11 Q. And based upon your review of the evidence, was
- 12 there any research and development review as you had
- described before?
- 14 A. None whatsoever.
- 15 Q. Paula, if you could place an X there.
- 16 And was there any financial review, as you had
- 17 described before?
- 18 A. None whatsoever.
- 19 O. If we could have an X there.
- 20 And was there any regulatory review as you had
- 21 described before?
- 22 A. No, there was no conferring at all that I could
- ascertain with anybody in regulatory affairs.
- Q. If we could have an X there.
- 25 And was there any intellectual property review

- 1 or commercial assessment?
- 2 A. As far as I could see, he conferred with no one
- 3 with patent -- who was a patent lawyer of any type.
- Q. Okay, if we could have an X under intellectual
- 5 property, and I had also asked if there was any
- 6 commercial assessment.
- 7 A. Again, none of the individuals with the
- 8 responsibility for marketing this product in the
- 9 European Union were consulted.
- 10 Q. Okay, if we could have an X there.
- 11 And finally, based upon your review of the
- 12 assessment, was there any manufacturing assessment
- 13 here?
- 14 A. None that I could see.
- 15 Q. So, based upon your review of the evidence, the
- 16 process here went straight from preliminary evaluation
- 17 to deal execution, skipping all the other steps in
- 18 between that you identified?
- 19 A. As far as I could see, all the evaluation was
- done by a single individual. So, the answer is yes.
- 21 Q. Okay, now if you could return to your seat,
- 22 please.
- 23 Your Honor, if I may, I'd like to provide Dr.
- 24 Levy with some documentation to review?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Exhibits or --

- 1 MR. SILBER: Yes, they are, Your Honor, they
- 2 are exhibits that are admitted.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may.
- 4 MR. SILBER: And if I may, I would like to
- 5 provide one to you, Your Honor, and to opposing
- 6 counsel.
- 7 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- 8 BY MR. SILBER:
- 9 Q. Dr. Levy, in the Redwell that I have provided
- 10 you, there are kind of two sets of documents that I
- 11 think are separated by clips or rubberbands, and I'd
- 12 like you to first look at the first set of documents,
- and the first document there is CX 1042, and if you
- 14 could tell us what that document is.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Silber, you need to take
- 16 your exhibit off the screen if you're through with it.
- 17 MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes, this was the exhibit to Mr.
- 19 Audibert's deposition, and I believe it was the same
- 20 exhibit to several other of the depositions I reviewed,
- 21 and it represents the totality of the information that
- 22 was provided by Upsher-Smith to Schering-Plough for Mr.
- 23 Audibert's review and was the basis of his review or
- 24 was the sole basis of his review.
- 25 BY MR. SILBER:

- Q. Okay. And if we could turn next to CX 1043,
- 2 and if you could tell us what that document is.
- A. Yes, this is what we refer to as the protocol
- 4 for -- or it's actually a draft protocol for a proposed
- 5 clinical trial that was never performed, but it was the
- 6 draft of a protocol that would possibly have been
- 7 carried forth for treating -- for studying Niacor-SR.
- Q. Okay. And let's look at the next document,
- 9 which is CX 714, if you could tell us what that
- 10 document is.
- 11 A. Yes, this was the same sort of thing. This
- 12 was -- this was pretty brief, so this wouldn't have
- 13 been a protocol itself. This would have been a
- 14 protocol or the, if you will, the front page or so of a
- 15 protocol for a study also that wasn't ever performed
- that studied the combination or the use of Niacor-SR in
- 17 combination with a statin, fluvastatin.
- 18 O. Now, these three exhibits, CX 1042, CX 1043 and
- 19 CX 714, is it your understanding based upon your review
- 20 of the evidence that this is the totality of the
- 21 information Mr. Audibert had at the time he evaluated
- 22 Niacor-SR?
- 23 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Okay. And do you recall when Mr. Audibert
- 25 received this documentation?

- 1 A. I believe it was June 12th of 1997.
- 2 Q. Okay. And do you know what day Mr. Audibert
- 3 completed his evaluation?
- A. I don't recall what day. The other -- the next
- 5 day that I recall is the day that the deal was signed,
- 6 which I believe was June 17th or 18th of 1997.
- 7 Q. Okay. And is it based upon those dates that
- 8 you reached the conclusion that the evaluation took
- 9 approximately five days?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Okay. If we can move on to CX 1044, and if you
- can tell us the date of this document to start.
- 13 A. June 17th, 1997.
- 0. And what is this document?
- 15 A. This is a document from Mr. Audibert's boss,
- 16 Mr. Lauda, to a Mr. Ray Kapur, who was, if I'm not
- mistaken, the president of Warrick Pharmaceuticals,
- which was the domestic generic pharmaceutical division
- 19 of Schering-Plough.
- Q. And contained behind the cover page, what is
- 21 that document, or the remainder of the document?
- 22 A. I think this was the summary that I believe was
- 23 written by Mr. Audibert summarizing the Niacor-SR
- 24 opportunity.
- 25 Q. So, this is summarizing the first three

- 1 exhibits we have gone through earlier, the information
- 2 that Schering was provided by Upsher?
- 3 A. Yes. It also contains Mr. Audibert's
- 4 description of the general area, the general area of
- 5 hypolipidemic drugs.
- Q. Okay, let's turn to the next exhibit, which is
- 7 CX 1386, and if you can tell us what this document is.
- 8 A. Yes, this was a memo from Mr. Audibert to Mr.
- 9 Kapur, and it presented Mr. Audibert's what I would say
- were very preliminary sort of ballpark financial
- 11 projections and profit projections on this product.
- 12 Q. Okay. And what is the date of this document?
- 13 A. June 17th, 1997.
- Q. Okay. The next document is CX 347. Can you
- tell us what this document is?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 O. What is it?
- 18 A. This was the agreement that was executed
- 19 between the parties to license Niacor-SR --
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. -- and the other products.
- Q. And the final document in this package is
- 23 CX 341, and if you can tell us what this document is,
- it really starts on the second page at SP 1200245.
- 25 A. Yes, this was the presentation that was made on

- 1 Niacor-SR or this was the -- the information I presume
- 2 that was provided to the board of directors in
- 3 preparation for the presentation regarding the
- 4 Upsher-Smith license to the board of directors.
- 5 Q. Now, the documentation that we have just gone
- 6 through that was in this Redwell, based upon your
- 7 review of the evidence, does this comprise the
- 8 documentation for Schering's evaluation starting from
- 9 when it began looking at this drug through to when it
- 10 executed the deal?
- 11 A. Yes, I believe it does.
- 12 Q. And approximately how thick is that
- 13 documentation?
- 14 A. About an inch, three-quarters of an inch.
- 15 Q. Okay. And approximately how many days did the
- 16 process take for Mr. Audibert to evaluate this product?
- 17 A. Five days.
- 18 O. And how does that time frame compare to what
- 19 you generally see in the pharmaceutical industry?
- 20 A. Well, as I said, my experience is, you know,
- four months to two years or more even, so it's much,
- 22 much shorter.
- Q. And based upon your review of the documents
- concerning Schering's evaluation of Niacor-SR,
- approximately how many people were involved in the

- 1 evaluation of Niacor-SR?
- 2 A. One.
- 3 O. And who was that?
- 4 A. That was Mr. Audibert.
- 5 Q. And based upon your experience in the
- 6 pharmaceutical industry, approximately how many people
- 7 are generally involved in reviewing or evaluating a
- 8 product for licensing?
- 9 A. If it goes through the full evaluation process
- 10 you mean?
- 11 O. Yes.
- 12 A. Dozens.
- 13 Q. Now, when we started this section of your
- 14 testimony, the second point of the subopinions towards
- your ultimate opinion that the \$60 million payment was
- 16 not for Niacor, your statement said that the due
- diligence was strikingly superficial. Is that based
- 18 upon a comparison of the due diligence for the Niacor
- 19 deal to due diligence for other Schering deals?
- 20 A. It's based on two things. It's based on,
- 21 first, my own experience, for instance, as I testified
- 22 earlier, for instance, when we do a deal at a company
- 23 much, much smaller than Schering-Plough, First Horizon
- 24 Pharmaceutical, which does similar deals, these late
- 25 stage deals, we have a relatively small staff, but the

- 1 team that is assembled by the company has usually about
- 2 30 people on it, in-house people and then various and
- 3 sundry consultants and the like, such as myself.
- In the course of doing this evaluation, I
- 5 suggested that just as a frame of reference we try to
- 6 look at the due diligence that Schering conducted for
- 7 other pharmaceutical products that it had licensed in
- 8 roughly the same time -- during roughly the same period
- 9 in time.
- 10 Q. Okay. How did you decide what other deals you
- 11 wanted to look at?
- 12 A. I tried to look through that, if you will, that
- 13 list of 33 that I mentioned earlier and tried to pick
- out some that were, you know, potentially analogous,
- analogous in that they were pharmaceuticals as opposed
- 16 to, say, an R&D deal or a diagnostic or something;
- secondly, occurred roughly around the same time; and
- 18 where the product to be licensed was another late stage
- 19 product.
- Q. Okay. And did you identify any such deals?
- 21 A. Yes, there were several, one that I knew very,
- 22 very well from my having been on the Zonagen board and
- 23 then ironically had enormous similarities qualitatively
- 24 to this deal was the deal that Schering-Plough did with
- Zonagen, and so I suggested that you get the due

- 1 diligence information on that, because I had never seen
- 2 that information. The deal was done before I was on
- 3 the board of directors. So, that was one deal I
- 4 suggested to you to seek documents regarding.
- 5 Then there were a few other deals analogously
- 6 that I suggested to you, but I don't remember all of
- 7 them, but they were all the same thing, late stage
- 8 pharmaceuticals.
- 9 MR. SILBER: At this point, Your Honor, we are
- 10 going to be going through some in camera materials, and
- 11 I expect that this may take a half hour to 45 minutes,
- just to apprise the people who need to step out.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, we are not going to
- break until about 3:30 if that's what you're asking.
- MR. SILBER: No, I wasn't seeking a break. I
- 16 was just trying to let them know how long this was
- 17 going to be.
- 18 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, at this time I'll have
- 19 to ask the public to leave the courtroom. We are going
- to consider some in camera or confidential documents,
- 21 and would someone outside mind turning over the sign I
- 22 have that states that we're in an in camera session?
- 23 I'd appreciate it.
- 24 (The in camera testimony continued in Volume 7,
- 25 Part 2, Pages 1492 through 1528, then resumed as

- 1 follows.)
- 2 JUDGE CHAPPELL: We will take our midafternoon
- 3 break. We are in recess -- it's about 3:35. Let's
- 4 take 15 minutes. We're in recess.
- 5 (A brief recess was taken.)
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Reconvene docket 9297.
- 7 You may proceed.
- 8 MR. SILBER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 9 BY MR. SILBER:
- 10 Q. If I could have the slide summarizing Dr.
- 11 Levy's opinion.
- Dr. Levy, at this point, we have gotten through
- your first two opinions as to why the \$60 million
- 14 payment was not for Niacor-SR. Let's talk about the
- last one, which says, "Post-deal, neither party showed
- 16 any serious interest in developing and marketing the
- 17 drug."
- Can you tell us in general how you reached this
- 19 conclusion?
- 20 A. Yes. I had the opportunity to read from
- 21 depositions and from various and sundry exhibits and
- 22 assorted documents that I was made privy to both before
- 23 I wrote my report and some subsequent to that that
- 24 addressed the questions of basically what the parties
- 25 did after they executed this deal, and there are

- 1 certain things that in my own experience parties
- 2 typically do upon having executed a pharmaceutical
- 3 license with each other, and I looked to see whether
- 4 those various and sundry activities were present in
- 5 this particular case.
- Q. Have you prepared a slide that summarizes your
- 7 experience relative to post-deal conduct?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. If we could pull up CX 1610, which is labeled
- 10 Post-Deal Conduct.
- 11 Your Honor, if we may, if Dr. Levy could
- approach the board to illustrate these points?
- 13 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, with the caution that --
- listen to the question, please, and answer only the
- 15 question.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes, thank you, sir.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may.
- 18 BY MR. SILBER:
- 19 Q. Okay, Dr. Levy, your first point here uses the
- 20 term "project team." Tell us what you mean by "project
- 21 team."
- 22 A. Well, a project team in this instance refers to
- a product development team or a project development
- 24 team, and this is comprised of that group within the
- company that would have the responsibility for

- 1 shepherding this drug, this licensed product, through
- 2 the various regulatory hurdles essentially up to the
- 3 time when the drug was going to become a marketed
- 4 product.
- 5 Q. When would a project team be formed relative to
- 6 execution of a deal?
- 7 A. Usually the product or project team is formed
- 8 as the deal negotiations are ensuing and looks like
- 9 they're going to result in a deal, certainly no later
- 10 than four milliseconds after the deal has been signed,
- 11 but usually before.
- 12 Q. Why is a project team formed at that time?
- 13 A. Well, there's a -- we have a considerable sense
- of urgency in taking our products through the
- regulatory process. Just anecdotally, it's a number
- 16 that always stuck in my head from the -- I think my
- second day, my first job in the pharmaceutical industry
- 18 at Abbott, where my boss, this guy Kirk Robb, who was
- 19 the president of the company then, who said, I want you
- to learn one number, Nelson, \$10,000 a day, because
- 21 every day a drug is not on the market, it costs Abbott
- 22 \$10,000.
- Now, there's been a little inflation since
- then, that would have been a \$300 million drug, but you
- 25 can do the math. But anyway, he was just trying to

- 1 illustrate to me, and I'm just trying to illustrate it
- 2 here, that there was a real sense of urgency, because
- 3 we want to get these things on the market as
- 4 effectively as possible.
- 5 Q. What kind of people would be on a project team?
- A. I've listed some of them here, and companies
- 7 vary and -- drug to drug, company to company, but it
- 8 always has R&D people on it, it always has regulatory
- 9 people on it, it always has marketing people on it, and
- sometimes there's more, but those three certainly.
- 11 Q. How large are these teams generally?
- 12 A. Again, that varies company to company, drug to
- drug and situation to situation, but I would say six to
- 14 25.
- Q. And after committing to pay \$60 million for
- 16 Niacor-SR, how large was Schering's project team?
- 17 A. I'm not sure they had a project team. I think
- 18 that the -- Mr. Audibert, as far as I could see, was
- 19 the project team.
- 20 Q. So, there was one individual based upon your
- 21 review of the information that consisted of the project
- 22 team?
- 23 A. That's all that I could discern, yes.
- Q. Let's move on to your next point on the
- 25 post-deal conduct. It says, "Meetings between

- 1 Upsher-Smith and Schering-Plough to coordinate
- development, address problems, share information."
- 3 Describe what you mean by these meetings.
- A. Well, you just have a partnership that's been
- 5 formed. Both parties have an enormous interest in
- 6 getting this product to market and cooperating with
- 7 each other to do that, and each -- you know, depending
- 8 on what the deal is and the different circumstances,
- 9 but usually each party has something to contribute, be
- it data, personnel, know-how, experience, and they
- 11 form -- you know, they meet often, share information.
- Most particularly, they identify problems and they try
- 13 to solve their mutual problems.
- So, for instance, with this deal -- I'm sorry,
- I don't want to go forward. I'll stop.
- 16 Q. Do you have any personal experience working
- 17 with Schering-Plough on coordination after a deal has
- 18 been signed?
- 19 A. Yes, I do indirectly. As a board member at
- 20 Zonagen --
- MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, I object. The answer
- is going well beyond the question.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Sustained.
- 24 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Dr. Levy, can you describe for us the personal

- 1 experience you had at Zonagen?
- MR. CURRAN: And now, Your Honor, if I may
- 3 interject a substantive objection. This is an expert
- 4 witness testifying as to opinions in various designated
- 5 areas. It appears now he's moving into fact testimony.
- 6 MR. SILBER: Your Honor, if I may respond?
- 7 In their motion in limine, they have raised a
- 8 variety of issues about Dr. Levy's qualifications
- 9 arguing that he had no relevant experience in the
- 10 pharmaceutical industry. Here we're simply trying to
- 11 illustrate that he has relevant experience, and the
- 12 fact of the matter is, it is with one of the parties,
- and it does appear to be relevant to this general point
- 14 as to whether the post-deal conduct between the parties
- here is consistent with his experience in the industry.
- 16 JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, your question is going to
- 17 his experience in this area?
- 18 MR. SILBER: Yes, it is, Your Honor.
- 19 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Not to substantive facts
- regarding this particular agreement at issue here?
- 21 MR. SILBER: He is to some extent describing
- 22 his involvement in this to illustrate the point of his
- 23 experience in the industry. I mean, if they don't want
- 24 him to testify about this deal, I'm sure Dr. Levy has
- 25 an example from some other deal that doesn't relate to

- 1 Schering that could illustrate this point. We would be
- 2 happy to go into that.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Let me try this again. You're
- 4 asking the question to qualify the expert --
- 5 MR. SILBER: I'm -- well, I feel as though
- 6 we've qualified the expert already. I was kind of
- 7 raising it in the context of their prior objection to
- 8 his qualifications that he didn't have industry
- 9 experience, and I find it kind of ironic that they are
- 10 now objecting to the fact that he's speaking to
- 11 specific industry experience that appears to be quite
- 12 relevant.
- 13 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Curran, how is this
- 14 question going to go into facts?
- MR. CURRAN: Well, Your Honor, if this subject
- 16 really dealt with his qualifications, it would have
- 17 come before lunch today during the section where his
- 18 qualifications were going forward. The timing of the
- 19 testimony right now in conjunction with point two on
- 20 this chart confirms unambiguously that this is not
- 21 going to his qualifications but, in fact, is fact
- 22 testimony purporting to support a conclusion that he's
- 23 advancing in this particular matter.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: And tell me again why you're
- 25 offering this information.

- 1 MR. SILBER: I'm offering this information
- 2 because I feel it's relevant to illustrate the point
- 3 that Dr. Levy is trying to make here as to what
- 4 normally goes on in the industry after a deal is
- 5 signed. The second point here talks about coordination
- 6 between parties, and he has relevant industry
- 7 experience. It happens to involve a deal involving
- 8 these parties, but, I mean, he's testified earlier
- 9 today regarding experiences with other companies,
- 10 pointing out -- to illustrate other points. I think
- 11 that's all he's doing here.
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, Mr. Curran, I am going
- to overrule the objection. He's still on direct, and
- we're not on redirect or rebuttal, and so they have the
- right to ask the question whenever they want to. I
- 16 understand he's standing up at the chart right now, so
- 17 I'll keep that in mind, but it's overruled.
- 18 You may proceed.
- 19 MR. CURRAN: Thank you, Your Honor.
- MR. SILBER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 21 BY MR. SILBER:
- Q. Dr. Levy, can you explain to us how your
- 23 involvement in the post-deal conduct on the
- 24 Schering-Zonagen deal illustrates your second point?
- 25 A. Yes, sir. As I said, I was not involved with

- 1 Zonagen when this deal was executed, but, of course, I
- 2 know about it, but I was very much involved during the
- 3 period that, in fact, is still ensuing in terms of
- 4 getting Vasomax through the FDA.
- 5 And the reason I raised this particular issue
- 6 was it shows how these parties, really how any parties,
- 7 act together to solve problems post-deal, and the
- 8 interaction between -- a problem arose in the
- 9 development of Vasomax that was unforeseen by either of
- 10 the parties, and it's been -- it was a wonderful
- 11 experience from the Zonagen board perspective to see
- 12 how cooperative Schering-Plough was in working with us
- 13 to solve this problem. I mean, they really functioned
- 14 with us as a partner to get over the regulatory hurdle
- 15 that we had to overcome.
- 16 And this is the sort of thing that's typical.
- I mean, I've seen this, as I said, and I chose this
- 18 example because it was so relevant to everything I've
- 19 spoken about. There's virtually every other
- 20 situation -- absolutely every other situation that I've
- 21 been involved with with this type of situation where
- there was a license between two parties, there was
- 23 fluent cooperation between the two parties to get the
- 24 drug approved.
- Q. How does that experience and other experience

- 1 you have in general on this kind of post-deal
- 2 coordination, how does that compare with what you saw
- 3 between Schering and Upsher post-deal for Niacor?
- A. Well, it was just surprising to me. There's
- 5 one specific example that just so illustrates the point
- 6 very clearly, is Upsher-Smith is a small generic
- 7 pharmaceutical company without a great deal of
- 8 experience developing branded pharmaceutical products,
- 9 and from reading their -- the documents of their own
- 10 internal project team meetings, they had been having a
- 11 problem for some many months with an integral type of
- test called a pharmacokinetic study, and there had been
- considerable interaction between Upsher-Smith and the
- 14 FDA with the FDA basically saying to Upsher-Smith they
- 15 weren't going to approve the drug unless they got the
- 16 pharmacokinetic studies right, and Upsher-Smith seemed
- to be having considerable difficulty getting their
- outside contractors, because they didn't have the
- 19 in-house expertise, to get the outside contractors to
- 20 perform these pharmacokinetic studies effectively for
- 21 them.
- Doing a pharmacokinetic study in
- 23 Schering-Plough is like falling off a log. I mean,
- 24 they do them routinely. This is something that they
- easily, easily could have solved for

- 1 Upsher-Smith had Upsher-Smith asked them, which as far
- 2 as I could see they never did, and as far as I know to
- 3 this day they have not completed the pharmacokinetic
- 4 studies. So, that's just one example of what easily
- 5 could have happened, I looked for, and was amazed when
- 6 I didn't find.
- 7 Q. Dr. Levy, this point begins with the word
- 8 "meetings."
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Based upon your review of the evidence, were
- 11 there any meetings between Schering and Upsher-Smith
- 12 post-deal to coordinate on such efforts?
- 13 A. Not to my knowledge, no meetings whatsoever.
- Q. And to back up a step, are you aware of any
- 15 communication between the parties in this period of
- 16 time post-deal?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 O. And can you describe that level of
- 19 communication?
- 20 A. Yes, there were a number of memos, usually
- 21 between Mr. Kapur and some individuals, I believe Mr.
- 22 Troup at Upsher-Smith and also I think some meeting --
- 23 some memos from Mr. Audibert to people whose names I've
- 24 forgotten at Upsher-Smith, requesting various
- documents.

- 1 For instance, one thing that they were
- 2 requesting was, if I remember correctly, the second
- 3 Phase III clinical trial that Upsher-Smith said it
- 4 completed had not yet been finalized. They had not
- 5 done the final report on this second Phase III pivotal
- 6 trial, and it was supposed to be available in July of
- 7 1997, the deal having been executed in June of that
- 8 year. And I guess it was about September or so, there
- 9 was a memo from Mr. Audibert to someone at Upsher-Smith
- 10 asking for this report, and as far as I could see, the
- 11 report was never forthcoming.
- 12 Q. How does the degree of communication between
- the parties in these first few months after the deal,
- 14 how does that compare to what you would generally
- expect to see post-deal in the pharmaceutical industry?
- 16 A. It's just -- it's -- to say I was surprised is
- an understatement. I mean, I've just never seen that.
- 18 Q. Let's move on to your third point. It's,
- 19 "Protocols written for EU clinical studies."
- What does that mean?
- 21 A. Yeah, this is a -- this is not a general point.
- 22 This is a specific point relevant to this deal.
- 23 Schering-Plough had a very, very aggressive product
- 24 development schedule that they had outlined. Remember
- 25 that the schedule called for Upsher-Smith to file its

- new drug application in the United States in December of 1997. Schering-Plough was then going to take that,
- 3 and then it was going to have to supplement that with
- 4 some clinical information derived in the European
- 5 Union, because the European Union doesn't just
- 6 rubber-stamp FDA approvals, they require some limited
- 7 clinical trials to be done in their own jurisdictions.
- 8 And the schedule that Schering-Plough was on
- 9 was to get approval, not just to file this document,
- 10 but to get approval of Niacor-SR by the end of 1998.
- 11 That is but one -- but one year after Upsher-Smith had
- 12 planned to and said it was going to file its NDA. This
- is a very, very, very aggressive time frame, because
- the clinical trials that would have been required in
- 15 Europe would have taken several months, maybe six
- 16 months, maybe a little bit less if they were really
- aggressive, but they were not trivial, and then
- 18 collecting those data, analyzing those data, processing
- 19 those data, putting it all together in the -- in the
- format requisite to file the document in the European
- 21 Union, and then wait for review of that document in the
- 22 European Union, which itself would have taken several
- 23 months, and then to try to meet a timetable for
- 24 approval at the end of 1998 was very, very aggressive.
- 25 And so what they would have had to do was to

- 1 have a real running start on this process, and a
- 2 running start would have been certainly to have the
- 3 regulatory input and the clinical protocols written so
- 4 that from the moment that deal was executed, they are
- 5 getting those clinical trials going in the EU, because
- 6 otherwise, there was no way that they could meet that
- 7 time frame, and I saw no evidence whatsoever that any
- 8 of these protocols were written.
- 9 Q. Let's hit your last point. "Full disclosure by
- 10 Upsher-Smith to Schering-Plough regarding development
- 11 problems and change."
- 12 What types of development problems and change
- 13 are you speaking to?
- 14 A. I was fortunate to be able to see some -- at
- 15 the time I wrote my report, some brief documents that
- were brief meeting minutes from what looked like
- 17 Upsher-Smith's internal project team meeting.
- 18 Subsequent to that, we've seen more detailed minutes of
- 19 those meetings that's enlarged upon that, but this
- 20 group met essentially every month, and the deal was
- 21 executed in June.
- 22 In October -- well, they were having trouble
- 23 with this pharmacokinetic study that I mentioned
- 24 before, and this was alluded to in the previous project
- team meetings, but just jumping ahead, in the minutes

- 1 from a meeting held in October, just a few months after
- 2 the deal was executed, a very dramatic issue was
- 3 raised, and that's that it was proposed that
- 4 Upsher-Smith slow down, essentially stop, its
- 5 development of Niacor-SR as an NDA drug, that is, as a
- 6 branded drug, and instead that the company embark upon
- 7 and devise what they referred to as an ANDA strategy.
- 8 That stands for abbreviated new drug application,
- 9 strategy.
- 10 Now --
- 11 Q. Dr. Levy, by looking at these minutes, you
- indicated that this change was reflected in October of
- 13 1997?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. Is that correct?
- 16 And why would this change in strategy by
- 17 Upsher -- or let me say, would this change in strategy
- by Upsher be of significance to Schering?
- 19 A. It would have been utterly an anathema.
- Q. And why is that?
- 21 A. An ANDA or an abbreviated new drug application,
- 22 as its name implies, is an abbreviated application. It
- 23 is used by generic pharmaceutical companies to file for
- 24 a -- essentially their duplicate of another product, a
- generic product, and so they were presumably going to

- 1 file this ANDA as a generic substitute for Niaspan that
- 2 had been approved in July.
- 3 So, here is Schering-Plough, a branded
- 4 pharmaceutical company largely, who is expecting to
- 5 register and market Niacor-SR as a branded
- 6 pharmaceutical product and depend for this filing upon
- 7 a new drug application, a full NDA, that was going to
- 8 be filed by Upsher-Smith. Upsher-Smith was changing
- 9 this strategy, and as far as I could see did so without
- 10 any notification of Schering whatsoever.
- 11 Q. Did Upsher at some point tell Schering about
- its change in strategy on Niacor?
- 13 A. Yes, as I read the minutes, they started
- 14 discussing this in October of 1997, and they agreed to
- do it in November of 1997 --
- Q. I'm sorry, when you say "they agreed to do
- 17 it" --
- 18 A. Internally -- not they, Upsher-Smith internally
- 19 decided to do it. In January of 1998, their memo said
- 20 they have put the NDA on hold, and the earliest that
- 21 Schering-Plough was notified was September of 1998,
- 22 almost a year after they made that decision. That's
- 23 inconceivable to me.
- Q. Would you sit down.
- 25 Can we have the slide summarizing Dr. Levy's

- 1 opinion again.
- 2 Dr. Levy, in reaching your ultimate conclusion
- 3 that the \$60 million noncontingent payment was not for
- 4 Niacor, aren't you simply second-guessing what the
- 5 Schering business people -- second-guessing their
- 6 business judgment and imposing your own opinion on the
- 7 deal?
- 8 A. I don't think so, sir.
- 9 Q. Would you elaborate?
- 10 A. I'm sorry.
- I think each of these three points is -- you
- 12 know, is based upon facts, not my opinion. For
- instance, the \$60 million payment is what it is. It's
- 14 \$60 million. It is much larger than any payment that
- Schering-Plough ever made. It's not my opinion; that's
- 16 a fact. It's also larger than I personally had ever
- seen, I think anybody had ever seen, for an analogous
- 18 payment up to that time for any pharmaceutical. So, I
- 19 mean, it was -- it was very large for a drug that
- 20 nobody has said was a major drug. So, that's not -- I
- 21 mean, that's not an opinion. I believe it's a fact.
- In terms of the due diligence, yes, it's my
- opinion that it would be strikingly superficial, but I
- think the thing spoke for itself. They had one person
- working for five days compared to their own company

- 1 that had 50 people working for seven to nine months on
- 2 similar deals, and -- and so, again, I don't think that
- 3 I'm second-guessing them. Those facts speak for
- 4 themselves.
- In terms of the last, the behavior was just so
- 6 inconsistent with anything I've ever seen that I don't
- 7 think I'm trying to substitute my business judgment.
- 8 I'm just sort of comparing what I have seen and
- 9 experienced with what I saw and experienced or saw in
- 10 this -- in this matter.
- 11 Q. One last question. To reach your opinion that
- the \$60 million payment was not for Niacor, you've gone
- through the three points below it concerning the size
- of the payment, the due diligence and the post-deal
- 15 conduct.
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. To conclude that the \$60 million payment was
- not for Niacor, do you need to rely on all three of
- 19 those factors?
- 20 A. No.
- Q. And why is that?
- 22 A. I think each one stands on its own merit. Even
- 23 if one were to assume that the \$60 million was not, you
- 24 know, out of whack with the typical situation, even if
- 25 Schering had made some other \$60 million payments

- 1 analogous to this, even if it wasn't extraordinary in
- 2 the industry to make that payment, which by nobody's
- 3 assertion is a small payment, with five days due
- 4 diligence by one guy, for instance, is -- is, you know,
- 5 strikingly, you know, dramatic to me.
- Even had they done due diligence, even had they
- 7 spent the \$60 million for a drug that had \$60 million
- 8 worth of value in it, what they did after they had done
- 9 this deal -- they just paid \$60 million. Let's say
- 10 they did do seven months due diligence on this thing
- 11 before they paid the \$60 million. To let life follow
- 12 for all that period, to do nothing further with it, not
- to communicate with each other that one party had
- 14 essentially stopped development, without telling the
- other for almost a year? That speaks for itself.
- 16 So, any of those three opinions, if the others
- weren't even present, would have led to the same
- 18 conclusion I have at the top.
- 19 MR. SILBER: Thank you, Dr. Levy. That's all
- 20 we have, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: And I think the parties have
- 22 agreed that cross examination of this witness will
- 23 begin on Tuesday morning, February 5th?
- 24 MR. SILBER: That is correct, Your Honor.
- MR. CURRAN: That's right, Your Honor, we're

- 1 going to have to be very patient until then.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, and at this time the --
- 3 I think the Government needs to call your next witness,
- 4 and I think that's by deposition transcript --
- 5 MR. SILBER: I believe so, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: -- excerpt? Okay.
- 7 THE WITNESS: May I -- okay.
- B JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Levy, you're excused for
- 9 now.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir.
- 11 JUDGE CHAPPELL: The fun's just starting, sir.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I'm afraid of that.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Are we going to adhere to the
- 14 procedure we used before for deposition excerpt
- 15 reading?
- 16 MS. BOKAT: Your Honor, what we were proposing
- 17 to do, hopefully consistent with the procedure you set
- 18 out the last time we were doing readings, I would like
- 19 to call on Ms. Yaa Apori and Mr. Andrew Ginsburg to do
- the readings on behalf of complaint counsel. What we
- 21 planned to do would be to have them read from a single
- 22 witness, for example, an investigational hearing, and
- then allow respondents to do counter-readings on that
- 24 same witness.
- Is that acceptable?

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- 1 JUDGE CHAPPELL: That makes a lot of sense.
- 2 That's absolutely acceptable.
- 3 Do the respondents have their
- 4 counter-designations ready for the witnesses?
- 5 MS. SHORES: We do, Your Honor.
- 6 MR. CARNEY: Yes, Your Honor, we do.
- 7 MS. BOKAT: Now, in terms of timing, Your
- 8 Honor, we have got, what, about an hour to play with.
- 9 In fairness, we thought we would start with a witness
- 10 that's fairly short to allow respondents time today for
- 11 counter-readings on that witness rather than having us
- read an hour and have them not have the opportunity
- 13 today to counter-read.
- 14 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I think if we don't finish
- today, we will finish in the morning. We'll wrap up
- 16 whatever counter-readings we need in the morning.
- MS. BOKAT: Rather than starting with the
- 18 witness tomorrow morning?
- 19 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Are you anticipating three
- 20 hours of counter-designations by respondent? It was
- 21 fairly brief the last time we did this.
- 22 MS. BOKAT: Right. We estimate that our
- 23 remaining readings would take approximately two hours,
- 24 not accounting for counter-readings. So, what we would
- like to do would be to do a reading, keeping the time

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- 1 confined so that the other side could do
- 2 counter-readings for that person, and then maybe after
- 3 the witness tomorrow, if we have some more non-witness
- 4 time, we could take up readings again.
- 5 Would that be acceptable?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Why don't we see when we get
- 7 to a stopping point how much you have to go, how much
- 8 counter-designation we have, and then I'll decide
- 9 whether we'll do it before or after the witness
- 10 tomorrow. I understand the witness' constraints that
- 11 we have coming tomorrow, but with that, let's go ahead.
- MS. BOKAT: Thank you.
- 13 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- MS. BOKAT: Your Honor, Ms. Apori and Mr.
- Ginsburg are going to begin with excerpts from the
- investigational hearing transcript of Martin Driscoll.
- 17 That hearing was conducted July 10th, year 2000. At
- 18 the time of the conduct in question, Mr. Driscoll was
- 19 an official of Schering-Plough. I believe at that time
- 20 he was vice president of sales and marketing within Key
- 21 Pharmaceuticals.
- 22 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you. You may proceed.
- MR. GINSBURG: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 24 Page 44, line 7:
- 25 "QUESTION: Does Schering try to get

1	information from the other company, the
2	company that owns the product in order to do
3	this forecast?
4	"ANSWER: Well, generally, if you were in
5	negotiations for the licensing of a product,
6	generally you have secrecy agreements,
7	agreements on confidentiality that have been
8	established, and there's a due diligence that
9	occurs.
10	"QUESTION: What goes on in the due
11	diligence?
12	"ANSWER: Well, importantly one element of
13	due diligence that's essential is if, for
14	example, you're looking to license a product,
15	we want to ensure that the clinical profile is
16	what the other party has stated it is in terms
17	of its safety and efficacy.
18	"Our research people will evaluate it to
19	determine whether the product is safe and
20	effective under our standards, the standards
21	of the federal government or the various
22	regulatory agencies. That's one element of
23	the due diligence."
24	MR. GINSBURG: Page 83, line 23:
25	"QUESTION: Had Kos completed all their

1	clinical work on this product?
2	"ANSWER: They had my recollection was
3	they completed all their clinical work that
4	was part of their filings at the Food and Drug
5	Administration. They had filed their
6	application. I believe they were doing
7	additional trials, which is not uncommon.
8	Companies will do additional trials in
9	addition to their package filed with the FDA
10	because they may be seeking down the road
11	additional indications, broader use of the
12	products.
13	"But their pivotal trials that were part of
14	the filing in fact, if my memory serves me
15	correctly and I recall correctly, they had
16	already filed their application with the FDA
17	for approval in the United States.
18	"QUESTION: Did Kos have any estimates of
19	what their dollar or prescription sales of
20	this product would be?
21	"ANSWER: Yes.
22	"QUESTION: What were they predicting?
23	"ANSWER: Well, I recall and this is
24	based on my memory I recall that they
25	seemed to feel that this product was in its

1	second year 175 to \$200 million product in
2	the United States, and long-term was an even
3	bigger product, perhaps as high 4 or 500
4	million.
5	"QUESTION: Did Schering-Plough come up
6	with its own estimates of what the sales
7	potential for this product was?
8	"ANSWER: We did.
9	"QUESTION: What were your estimates?
10	"ANSWER: Well, first off, we agreed that
11	the opportunity for a niacin product,
12	sustained release niacin product that met the
13	unmet needs that existed in the marketplace
14	could be big, in excess of a \$500 million
15	product, but after further review of the Kos
16	product, I in particular did not feel that it
17	met those needs and did not would not yield
18	the sales potential that Kos felt it would.
19	"QUESTION: What was it about the Kos
20	product that didn't appear to meet the needs?
21	"ANSWER: Two things. First and foremost
22	as I reviewed the clinical information on the
23	product, I felt they had too high a rate of
24	flushing, and I remember I remember this
25	number, it's just in my memory, that they had

1	an 88 percent incidence of flushing in their
2	pivotal clinical trial.
3	"Now, I remember their attempt to explain
4	that away was the product was you could
5	avoid that by dosing it prior to bedtime, that
6	in effect the flushing would occur while the
7	individual slept. They had the benefits of
8	the niacin, and you wouldn't see flushing
9	during the day when they're out and about.
10	"To me I just fundamentally felt that it
11	still had a high degree of flushing, that it
12	was not overcoming the key need in the
13	marketplace for a niacin product. We were
14	still greatly interested in niacin. We
15	thought that 4 or 500 billion market that I
16	described earlier, that a niacin product that
17	was a sustained release without the flushing
18	would be big in the marketplace.
19	"I didn't feel the Niaspan product yielded
20	that."
21	MR. GINSBURG: Page 89, line 16:
22	"QUESTION: Was it in approximately August
23	of '97 that Kos actually went to market with
24	this product?
25	"ANSWER: That's my recollection.

1	"QUESTION: Did the sales live up to Kos'
2	predictions?
3	"ANSWER: For once I think I was right.
4	It was a major disappointment for them. If I
5	remember correctly, their second year sales
6	totaled \$15 million, and that's just from the
7	best of my recollection. I recall very
8	clearly and I may be correct on my dates, I
9	hope I am, I recall in September I believe
10	it was September of '97, their first month of
11	prescriptions were very low, very
12	disappointing, and there was a lot of scrutiny
13	about what their performance was going to be
14	thereafter.
15	"QUESTION: When you were having the
16	discussions with Kos, did you ever come up
17	with a dollar figure you were projecting for
18	the potential sales of this product?
19	"ANSWER: For their product?
20	"QUESTION: Yes.
21	"ANSWER: Oh, yes.
22	"QUESTION: And what were your
23	projections?
24	"ANSWER: Mine, my projections were that
25	this product, based on the profile I had

1	seen and again based on the information
2	available to me, we had not gone to a heavy
3	due diligence, had not been given the benefit
4	of broad information, but based on what was
5	available to me, my sense of that product and
6	profile was max 60 to \$70 million product one
7	day.
8	"QUESTION: That would be
9	"ANSWER: Perhaps per year, in perhaps the
10	year three to four so its greatest potential
11	in any given year in my judgment was a 60 to
12	\$70 million.
13	"QUESTION: Has it ever gotten to that
14	point?
15	"ANSWER: No, ma'am. I haven't looked at
16	it in some time now. If it's a \$50 million
17	product in the United States I would be very
18	surprised, but again that's simply a guess."
19	MR. GINSBURG: That's all we have, Your Honor,
20	for Mr. Driscoll's investigational hearing.
21	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Respondents?
22	MS. BIERI: We have some counters, Your Honor.
23	MS. SHORES: We do have some counters, Your
24	Honor, and Ms. Bieri and Mr. Koons will be handling

those.

1	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you. You may proceed.
2	MS. BIERI: Starting at page 42, line 14:
3	"QUESTION: In your tenure at
4	Schering-Plough, have you been involved in
5	agreements to license in pharmaceutical
6	products?
7	"ANSWER: Yes.
8	"QUESTION: What has your involvement
9	been?
10	"ANSWER: My involvement principally
11	through my years with Schering-Plough in my
12	various capacities has principally been to
13	forecast the potential commercial performance
14	of the products we're seeking to license and
15	ultimately licensing and to determine the
16	operational issues that will be necessary in
17	commercializing those products.
18	"QUESTION: How do you go about trying to
19	forecast the potential commercial performance
20	of a product that Schering might license in?
21	"ANSWER: Well, first it's very difficult.
22	It's a lot of guesswork. I think the most
23	fundamental measure to utilize, we attempt to
24	use history to gauge the future.
25	"QUESTION: Can you explain what you mean

Τ	by using history?
2	"ANSWER: We attempt to see the
3	performance of a given market for a product,
4	products. We look at the needs of the
5	marketplace in that given point to the degree
6	that those needs are being satisfied so we can
7	determine the gap in the needs of the
8	marketplace, the product or the products that
9	we're looking at and determine to what degree
10	they meet those needs.
11	"And we attempt to forecast the performance
12	of the products based on the value that
13	they're bringing in to that marketplace versus
14	the needs or gap, the gap in needs that exist,
15	needs gap that exists in the marketplace.
16	"QUESTION: Do you try to predict dollar
17	or prescription sales of the product?
18	"ANSWER: Yes, we attempt to do that. We
19	attempt to predict we attempt to forecast
20	it. We guess at it.
21	"QUESTION: Does that analysis differ
22	depending on whether the product has already
23	been approved and is on the market?
24	"ANSWER: I have to say that would just
25	depend on the situation. It varies. Each

1	market is different. Each situation is
2	different. It's one of the tough challenging
3	parts of our job is the dynamics of every
4	market and every product varies so I would
5	have to say it just varies."
6	MS. BIERI: Going to page 45, line 11:
7	"QUESTION: Now, are there things other
8	than the clinical profile that are part of the
9	due diligence?
10	"ANSWER: Again, I must tell you it
11	depends on the situation and whether what
12	role we might play in the situation, whether
13	we're simply going to sell the product or
14	whether we're actually going to license it and
15	manufacture it, distribute it versus whether
16	we're simply going to distribute. It just
17	depends on what the particular discussions and
18	negotiations involve."
19	MS. BIERI: Page 45, line I'm sorry, page
20	46, line 8:
21	"QUESTION: What I'm trying to do is not
22	focus on any particular agreement but just get
23	a sense of what goes into due diligence, and
24	it sounded like this was sort of hard to
25	answer that broadly, so I was trying to at

1	least slice out some of the complications and
2	first get rid of the situation where Schering
3	might simply be marketing a product but would
4	have more of a role in trying to find out what
5	would have to go on in due diligence.
6	"ANSWER: And I have to answer and tell
7	you that every situation is different. They
8	vary. The scope of a due diligence is
9	dependent on the situation, and it can vary
10	from one to the other."
11	MS. BIERI: Going to page 86, line 8:
12	"QUESTION: Did niacin have a potential to
13	meet a market need that wasn't being met by
14	the other cholesterol-reducing agents such as
15	the statins?
16	"ANSWER: Yes, it did. One of the
17	benefits physicians oftentimes over time
18	will have to prescribe more than one
19	cholesterol lowering agent for a person with
20	high cholesterol, and the statins as you
21	described, as you mentioned, are very
22	effective agents but oftentimes they're not
23	effective they're not sufficiently
24	effective as monotherapy. In many cases
25	physicians will prescribe a statin plus a

1	niacin, for example.
2	"QUESTION: So, the niacin wouldn't be a
3	replacement for a statin; it would be used as
4	a complementary product?
5	"ANSWER: Yes, yes and yes. In some
6	instances it could be a replacement for
7	various reasons, but for the most part it
8	would be a complementary agent.
9	"QUESTION: Did Schering-Plough Kos get as
10	far as in their discussions talking about what
11	Schering might pay for the license from Kos?
12	"ANSWER: I don't recall that. No, I
13	don't recall that. I ended the discussions.
14	I ended the discussions for two reasons. It
15	became apparent to me that there was a wide
16	gulf between what they saw as the potential
17	for this product in the market and what we
18	saw; and number two, very frankly, their
19	people were treating my people with great
20	disrespect.
21	"And pivotal to any arrangement with a
22	company, a partnership, it's pivotal that the
23	people you're going to work with you know you
24	can get along with and partner appropriately,
25	and that wasn't going to happen in my view, so

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- 2 MS. BIERI: That's all for Schering, Your
- 3 Honor. Thank you.
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- 5 MR. CARNEY: Your Honor, the portions of the
- 6 excerpts of counter-designations for Upsher are
- 7 subsumed in what was just read by Schering, so we have
- 8 nothing to add on this point.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, thank you. Next?
- 10 MS. BOKAT: Next, Mr. Ginsburg and Ms. Apori
- 11 will read again from Martin Driscoll, this time from
- 12 his deposition transcript, and that deposition was
- 13 taken October 31st, 2001.
- 14 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- MR. GINSBURG: Page 72, line 19:
- 16 "QUESTION: During the time period you
- were involved in the negotiations with
- 18 Upsher-Smith, had evaluation of their extended
- release niacin compound been completed?
- "MS. SHORES: By whom?
- "QUESTION: By Schering.
- 22 "ANSWER: I don't recall that it had. And
- I don't believe it would have been completed,
- because I don't recall us getting much
- information about it beyond just their general

1	description."
2	MR. GINSBURG: Page 74, line 7:
3	"QUESTION: When you were involved in the
4	discussions with Upsher-Smith, did Schering
5	ask for access to Upsher-Smith's files of
6	communications with the FDA about their
7	extended release niacin product?
8	"ANSWER: I don't recall that. I don't
9	recall that.
10	"QUESTION: Do you recall Upsher-Smith
11	providing any documents about their
12	communications with the FDA about their
13	extended release niacin product?
14	"ANSWER: No, I don't recall them ever
15	I don't recall them providing that.
16	"QUESTION: When you were involved in
17	discussions with Upsher-Smith where they
18	provided any information about any patents
19	they had related to their extended release
20	niacin product?
21	"ANSWER: I never saw nor did I receive
22	any written information. I recall Ian Troup
23	describing that they had some type of a patent
24	that required companies to license whatever
25	was under that patent for the development or

1	marketing of their product that they had been
2	developing, which was Niaspan.
3	"QUESTION: I'm sorry. I got confused.
4	What Mr. Troup was describing, was it an
5	Upsher patent?
6	"ANSWER: Yes, apparently, my recollection
7	was that he was describing the fact that they
8	had a patent position around a niacin
9	sustained release product and, again, I never
10	saw written information of that. We didn't go
11	into more specifics. But I recall that he
12	described that based on that another company
13	that was developing a niacin product, had to
14	take a license from them and pay royalty to
15	Upsher-Smith for the development or the
16	marketing of their product.
17	"QUESTION: Was that other company?
18	"ANSWER: I recall him telling us it was
19	Kos.
20	"QUESTION: Did he inform of you of
21	whether or not companies had the right to
22	sublicense the Upsher-Smith patent?
23	"ANSWER: I don't recall that discussion.
24	"QUESTION: Did Mr. Troup indicate whether
25	Kos had licensed any patents to Upsher-Smith

1	related to the extended release niacin
2	products?
3	"ANSWER: I don't recall that."
4	MR. GINSBURG: Page 84, line 7:
5	"QUESTION: Did Upsher-Smith provide any
6	information to Schering-Plough on the labeling
7	it was seeking for the extended release niacin
8	product?
9	"ANSWER: I don't recall seeing that."
10	MR. GINSBURG: Page 94, line 9:
11	"QUESTION: Do you know whether Schering
12	asked Kos for information on the Niaspan
13	labeling?
14	"ANSWER: Yes, I do recall it.
15	"QUESTION: Do you recall who made the
16	request?
17	"ANSWER: No, I don't. I can't point to a
18	specific individual.
19	"QUESTION: Do you know why Schering asked
20	for the labeling information?
21	"ANSWER: Oh, yeah. We had asked for it,
22	because we wanted to see what they were going
23	to consider providing to the FDA as the
24	labeling. Because the labeling, in our
25	industry, describes in effect what you can

1	state or make claims about your product.
2	"The Food and Drug Administration regulates
3	the promotion of prescription drugs and the
4	communication claims that you make about a
5	product have to be reflected in the labeling
6	program.
7	"QUESTION: Would that be communications
8	with physicians or patients about the product?
9	"ANSWER: Yes, in your promotional claims
10	that you make about your products to your
11	customer, specifically physicians or, in some
12	cases, patients.
13	"QUESTION: Do you know whether anyone at
14	Schering examined this labeling information
15	after it came in from Kos?
16	"ANSWER: Well, I recall myself, you know,
17	reading the labeling."
18	MR. GINSBURG: Page 121, line 12:
19	"MS. BOKAT: Would the court reporter
20	please mark as Driscoll Exhibit 46 a document
21	bearing the Bates number SP 002723 through
22	2727.
23	"QUESTION: Have you seen Driscoll Exhibit
24	36 previously?
25	"ANSWER: I actually I do recall

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- 1 getting copied on this document.
- 2 "QUESTION: Was this the first proposal
- 3 from Schering to Kos or the first written
- 4 proposal?
- 5 "ANSWER: That I don't recall.
- 6 "QUESTION: In this proposal, is there any
- 7 offer of payment of up-front money from
- 8 Schering to Kos?
- 9 "ANSWER: No, I don't see one.
- 10 "QUESTION: Do you have any definite
- 11 recollection of Schering making proposals to
- 12 Kos after the one that is Driscoll Exhibit 36?
- "ANSWER: No, I don't. I recall, though,
- 14 that it was around this time frame where I was
- putting an end to all this. I don't have
- 16 specific dates, but my recollection is that
- 17 I'm not aware of any other written proposals
- 18 that were provided in draft form to Kos."
- 19 MR. GINSBURG: That's all, Your Honor, we have
- 20 from Mr. Driscoll's deposition. Thank you.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Anything from Schering?
- 22 MS. BIERI: We do have some counters, Your
- Honor.
- MS. BIERI: Starting at page 73, line 5:
- 25 "QUESTION: Would you have" -- and this is

1	complaint counsel questioning the witness.
2	"QUESTION: Would you have needed more
3	information than the general description at
4	the meeting in Minneapolis in order to perform
5	an evaluation of the compound?
6	"ANSWER: We needed a little bit more, but
7	we had a general sense of the opportunity of
8	an effective sustained release niacin product
9	that brought clinical benefits to the market.
10	We had a general sense of what the value might
11	be, because we had been involved in valuating
12	that market for some time.
13	"QUESTION: Did you need more information
14	from Upsher-Smith in order to complete the
15	evaluation of extended release niacin?
16	"ANSWER: It was more just confirmatory.
17	No, we didn't need much more information. We
18	had sufficient information about what a
19	beneficial sustained release niacin would
20	bring to the market. I understood generally
21	what the value would be."
22	MS. BIERI: Going to page 76, line 4:
23	"QUESTION: Did anyone from Upsher-Smith
24	mention a cross license agreement between
25	companies and Upsher-Smith relating to patents

1	on extended release niacins?
2	"ANSWER: Cross license is a broad term.
3	I'd answer that by saying, as I answered
4	earlier, he described for us their patent
5	position on niacin for the sustained release
6	niacin. That Kos was paying them a royalty or
7	would have to pay them a royalty. I don't
8	think that I don't think Kos' product had
9	come to the market yet. I think it came later
10	that year, if I remember, '97. So, they would
11	have to pay a royalty.
12	"Now, the nature of that relationship he
13	did not describe; in other words, a cross
14	license or the like."
15	MS. BIERI: Going to page 96, line 3:
16	"QUESTION: After you had read the
17	labeling, did you communicate any thoughts to
18	anyone else at Schering about the labeling on
19	Niaspan?
20	"ANSWER: Yes, I did. I said it looks
21	interesting. This is again, we were,
22	myself specifically and my team, interested in
23	getting into the cholesterol lowering market.
24	It's a growing market. There were a lot of
25	marketplace resources for that and we were

1	interested in cholesterol lowering agents,
2	including niacin.
3	"Specifically we were interested in a
4	niacin sustained release product that would
5	bring clinical benefits to the market that
6	made it better than the existing niacin
7	products, the immediate release products.
8	"So, we had a general interest in reading
9	the labeling which, of course, was Kos'
10	labeling. Their description looked
11	interesting. I, of course, said to my team,
12	you know, we have to let's get information
13	that verifies this.
14	"QUESTION: That verifies the labeling?
15	"ANSWER: Well, yes, when a company
16	prepares the labeling, it's the company's view
17	of the data, but then, of course, it's filed
18	with the Food and Drug Administration. But
19	the Food and Drug Administration is the final
20	arbitrator, really, of what the labeling will
21	say.
22	"So, when we receive the labeling from a
23	company, in this case when we received it, in
24	this case I recall this, that it's nice, it's
25	interesting, now let's see the clinical trial

1	results that serve as the basis for why they
2	believe this will be the label.
3	"QUESTION: Did Kos provide their clinical
4	trial results on Niaspan to Schering?
5	"ANSWER: My recollection is they just
6	were not forthcoming with sufficient
7	information. And that really was one of the
8	basis for ultimately why I want one of the
9	reasons why I stopped the discussions with
10	them. They just weren't forthcoming with the
11	information, with the information that we were
12	requesting, including why they felt that they
13	were going to be able to get this labeling
14	when the product was approved."
15	MS. BIERI: Going to page 98, line 7:
16	"QUESTION: Did they give you any
17	information on their clinical trial results?
18	"ANSWER: They told us what their view of
19	the results were. In essence, the results,
20	clinical trial results in general, their view
21	of them, which was reflected in this labeling.
22	My recollection is they did not provide any
23	information to us to verify that that was the
24	case.
25	"QUESTION: What information would you

1	have needed from Kos to be sufficient to
2	verify these labeling claims?
3	"ANSWER: Well, every situation is
4	different. Different products, different
5	opportunities are all different, so that can
6	vary. But in this case something as simple as
7	a summary table of the results versus placebo,
8	for example. I don't recall whether these
9	were placebo controlled trials. But even
10	something as simple as summary tables, the
11	number of patients and discontinuation rates,
12	for example.
13	"Just some general information from the
14	clinical trial results would have been helpful
15	beyond what was described in the label."
16	MS. BIERI: Going to page 135, line 2:
17	"QUESTION: Did Mr. Zahn accept your
18	recommendation to end the discussions with
19	Kos?
20	"ANSWER: I believe he did, because we
21	did.
22	"QUESTION: Do you recall when the
23	discussions with Kos were ended?
24	"ANSWER: I do recall it was right about
25	this time.

1	"QUESTION: So, it was shortly after your
2	memo to Mr. Zahn; is that right?
3	"ANSWER: I honestly don't know the
4	specific date. I do recall that even prior to
5	writing this I told my people that was going
6	to be it. We weren't going to discuss it
7	further with them. I didn't see the
8	opportunity as being sufficient for all the
9	reasons I articulated earlier. They weren't
10	forthcoming with information.
11	"In addition to that, an important factor
12	was their manner in which their people were
13	treating mine. Their opportunity that they
14	were they were demanding was co-promotion
15	opportunity, meaning they would promote it
16	along with us. And in any co-promotion
17	situation, I have had a lot of experience
18	here, you have to have a good feeling for your
19	potential partner, and trust. And the manner
20	in which they were treating my people was
21	unacceptable to me. So that was an additional
22	reason why I told my people to stop."
23	MS. BIERI: That's all we have, Your Honor.
24	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
25	MR. CARNEY: Your Honor, Upsher's designations

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- 1 are within those that were counter-designated by
- 2 Schering, so we have nothing to add.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, next, Ms. Bokat?
- 4 MS. BOKAT: The next readings will be from John
- 5 Hoffman's investigational hearing transcript. That
- 6 investigational hearing was conducted July 25th, 2000.
- 7 John Hoffman is a lawyer employed by Schering-Plough in
- 8 their legal department, I believe he's antitrust
- 9 counsel.
- MR. GINSBURG: Page 75, line 21:
- 11 "QUESTION: Was there any discussion of
- including a provision in the agreement to
- cover the possibility that Niacor wouldn't be
- 14 approved?
- 15 "ANSWER: No.
- 16 "QUESTION: Was there a reason for the
- 17 negotiations of the license and the patent
- settlement occurring at the same time?
- 19 "ANSWER: I believe I described Mr.
- 20 Troup's statements to that, that it was all
- 21 well and good for us to -- for Schering to
- 22 propose a license to take effect in the
- 23 future. But that they needed to work out some
- 24 way to get some cash for their own needs, and
- 25 that maybe they would license something to us.

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1	"QUESTION: Did you have a sense of
2	whether Mr. Troup would have been willing to
3	enter into the license of his products to
4	Schering absent a settlement of the patent
5	litigation?
6	"ANSWER: I believe so, yes, I believe so.
7	"QUESTION: So as long as Mr. Troup got
8	revenues from Schering for something, was he
9	willing to settle the patent litigation?
10	"ANSWER: He didn't say that. He said it
11	was necessary for his company if we were going
12	to settle it with the type of arrangement we
13	were discussing with the royalty-free
14	license in the future to get some revenue
15	now. And that turned out to be licensing."
16	MR. GINSBURG: That's all, Your Honor, we have
17	from Mr. Hoffman's investigational hearing. Thank you.
18	MS. BIERI: May we just have one minute, Your
19	Honor, to confer?
20	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
21	(Pause in the proceedings.)
22	MS. BIERI: Okay, Your Honor, we just have a
23	few.
24	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
25	MS. BIERI: This is complaint counsel

1	questioning at the beginning, page 74, line 25:
2	"QUESTION: Did he make any" and I'm
3	sorry, the "he" there, just to put it in
4	context, is Mr. Troup.
5	"QUESTION: Did he make any
6	representations about the costs Upsher-Smith
7	had sustained in developing those products?
8	"ANSWER: No. He said that it had been a
9	very expensive process. But he did not, as I
10	recall, mention any particular figures.
11	"I recall him discussing a substantial part
12	of their R&D budget had gone into development.
13	"QUESTION: Of all the licensed products,
14	or any one in particular?
15	"ANSWER: I particularly recall with
16	respect to a sustained-release niacin
17	product."
18	MS. BIERI: Going to page 76, line 24:
19	"QUESTION: Did Mr. Troup care whether the
20	license and the patent settlement were in one
21	agreement document?
22	"ANSWER: Not that I know of.
23	"QUESTION: Was there any particular
24	reason for covering the patent settlement and
25	the license in one document?

1	"ANSWER: Not that I know of, other than
2	time.
3	"QUESTION: Now, time gets me to another
4	question. You mentioned that there was a very
5	long night after the trip to Minneapolis. Was
6	there some urgency in finalizing the
7	agreement?
8	"ANSWER: We just wanted to get this
9	wrapped up. As I recall, trial was scheduled
10	to start in the patent case. If we were going
11	to have the judge put that on hold or stop the
12	trial, if we wanted to do that, we didn't want
13	to annoy a judge by starting a trial and then
14	stopping it. So we wanted to get that wrapped
15	up."
16	MS. BIERI: That's all, Your Honor.
17	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Upsher?
18	MR. CARNEY: Nothing to add, Your Honor, for
19	Upsher.
20	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Next?
21	MS. BOKAT: The next readings will be from the
22	investigational hearing transcript of Raman Kapur. The
23	hearing was conducted July 21st, 2000. Mr. Kapur is a
24	Schering official. He's head of Schering's Warrick

subsidiary, the generic subsidiary.

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1	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
2	MR. GINSBURG: Page 105, line 17:
3	"QUESTION: We talked earlier in the day
4	about the packet of information that
5	Upsher-Smith provided to Schering on Niacor.
6	Did Upsher-Smith provide any other written
7	documents in the course of the negotiations?
8	"ANSWER: That's what I said earlier, that
9	I really don't recall at what point the
10	protocols for clinical trials or the costs of
11	the trials, but I'm not aware of, you know, I
12	was not involved in any other discussions they
13	may have had. I don't know what else so
14	far, based on my direct knowledge, there were
15	these documents that came across my desk.
16	"QUESTION: Do you recall anything else
17	coming across your desk?
18	"ANSWER: I don't recall on the with
19	the Niacor product? You said?
20	"QUESTION: In the course of the
21	negotiations, whether it was about Niacor or
22	pentoxifylline or any of the other products
23	you were discussing with Upsher-Smith.
24	"ANSWER: No. I recall this coming
25	through the document that you had provided to

1	me here.
2	"QUESTION: Which is Exhibit Number 8?
3	"ANSWER: Yeah, Exhibit Number 8. I
4	remember some protocols coming through, but I
5	don't recall if there was anything else. That
6	doesn't mean there couldn't have been
7	something else, but I don't recall it.
8	"QUESTION: Other than the work that
9	global marketing and business development did
10	on Niacor, was there any other due diligence
11	done by Schering or Warrick on the Niacor
12	product?
13	"ANSWER: Not by Warrick, and I couldn't
14	answer what Schering did, because that's
15	global marketing would know that or Schering
16	would know that. Warrick did not do anything,
17	due diligence, on the Niacor product."
18	MR. GINSBURG: Page 138, line 3:
19	"ANSWER: I have only a very general
20	recollection of the meeting with the
21	magistrate where ESI Lederle had felt they
22	were entitled to certain sums of money and
23	John Hoffman told the magistrate that we could
24	not do that. We could not pay them any money,
25	but we will and Marty reaffirmed that and

1	told them that, you know, he could discuss
2	with them if there were other opportunities
3	where which were to their benefit and
4	Schering's benefit, but he couldn't make
5	payment to them. And that was the sum and
6	substance of it. The details, I don't recall.
7	"QUESTION: Did ESI say who they thought
8	they were entitled to money from?
9	"ANSWER: From Key."
10	MR. GINSBURG: Page 139, line 11:
11	"QUESTION: Was ESI offering to stay off
12	the market with their generic version of K-Dur
13	20 if the case settled and they were paid?
14	"ANSWER: For a certain period of time if
15	the case settled and they were paid so they
16	could make up their revenue stream. That was
17	their
18	"QUESTION: At this first meeting, was
19	there discussion of how long ESI would be
20	willing to stay off the market?
21	"ANSWER: I don't recall whether it was at
22	the first meeting or subsequent meetings or
23	when it took place exactly. But, I don't
24	recall.
25	"QUESTION: At some point did ESI indicate

1	how long they were willing to keep their
2	generic of K-Dur off the market?
3	"ANSWER: In the course of the
4	negotiations, at some point it was 2004, I
5	believe."
6	MR. GINSBURG: Page 140, line 23:
7	"QUESTION: Was there any discussion of
8	the kinds of opportunities that might benefit
9	both Schering and ESI?
10	"ANSWER: I believe Marty did have some
11	discussion with ESI about whether there was a
12	possibility of ESI comarketing Schering's
13	products or providing whether Schering
14	could whether they could help bill Schering
15	business where both parties would benefit from
16	that business, and then they could look at
17	that as a separate activity. But, you know, I
18	don't recall the details of that because I was
19	not that concerned about that part of this
20	discussion."
21	MR. GINSBURG: That's all, Your Honor, we have
22	from Mr. Kapur's investigational hearing.
23	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you. Anything from
24	Schering?
25	MS. BIERI: We have some brief

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- 1 counter-designations.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: You may proceed.
- 3 MS. BIERI: Your Honor, I'll warn you, there's
- 4 going to be a little bit of repetition here for
- 5 context, some of the designations that they read will
- 6 be interspersed with what we're reading around it.
- 7 JUDGE CHAPPELL: That's fine.
- 8 MS. BIERI: Thank you. Starting at page 135,
- 9 line 16, complaint counsel questioning:
- 10 "QUESTION: When did you first become
- involved in the negotiations with ESI?
- 12 "ANSWER: In the context of this
- present -- of this settlement or have I had
- any contact? I just want to be sure of that.
- 15 "QUESTION: In the context of this
- settlement.
- 17 "ANSWER: All right, the first time, the
- 18 first active involvement was a visit to the
- 19 magistrate in Philadelphia.
- 20 "QUESTION: Do you recall when that visit
- 21 to the magistrate occurred?
- 22 "ANSWER: I don't recall the exact date.
- It was somewhere in late -- somewhere late in
- 24 1997.
- 25 "QUESTION: Who attended the visit to the

1	magistrate?
2	"ANSWER: Second half of '97 I would say.
3	Who attended that?
4	"QUESTION: Yes.
5	"ANSWER: I was present at two meetings
6	with the magistrate. The first meeting I
7	won't be able to tell you, my recollection is
8	not good, as to all the participants, but the
9	magistrate was there, Michael Dey, who is the
10	head of ESI, was there, his attorney was
11	there, Marty Driscoll, John Hoffman, myself.
12	I don't know if there were other people, but
13	those are the people I recall."
14	MS. BIERI: Going to page 137, line 24,
15	complaint counsel questioning:
16	"QUESTION: What was discussed that
17	meeting with the magistrate?
18	"ANSWER: The first one or the second?
19	"QUESTION: Well, let's start with the
20	first one.
21	"ANSWER: I have only a very general
22	recollection of the meeting with the
23	magistrate where ESI Lederle had felt they
24	were entitled to certain sums of money, and
25	John Hoffman told the magistrate that we could

1	not do that. We could not pay them any money,
2	but we will. And Marty reaffirmed that and
3	told them that, you know, he could discuss
4	with them if there were other opportunities
5	where which were to their benefit and
6	Schering's benefit, but he couldn't make
7	payment to them, and that was the sum and
8	substance of it. The details, I don't recall.
9	"QUESTION: Did ESI say they thought they
LO	were entitled to money from
11	"ANSWER: From Key?
12	"QUESTION: Did they say why they thought
L3	they were entitled to money from Key?
L 4	"ANSWER: As part of a settlement. The
15	magistrate was pushing. The magistrate
16	supposedly had said he had direction from the
L7	judge to try and settle this, and he was going
18	to push to settle it and, you know, Marty
19	wanted to told the magistrate that, look,
20	we don't want to settle this. We have a
21	strong lawsuit. We'll go on with the case. I
22	guess ESI was willing to settle in exchange
23	for some money that they would stay off the
24	market for a period of time, and Marty was
25	saving he didn't want to do that He didn't

- 1 want to -- he didn't want to settle. He
- 2 wanted to go on with the trial."
- MS. BIERI: That's all, Your Honor.
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you. Upsher?
- 5 MR. CARNEY: Nothing to add for Upsher, Your
- 6 Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Ms. Bokat, before we continue,
- 8 what is your estimate of time for your direct exam of
- 9 Larry Rosenthal?
- MS. BOKAT: My best estimate, and I'm
- 11 notoriously bad at this, is approximately an hour and a
- 12 quarter, Your Honor.
- 13 JUDGE CHAPPELL: And do you have another
- vitness you're going to call tomorrow also?
- MS. BOKAT: No.
- 16 JUDGE CHAPPELL: What's your plan for what
- we're going to do the rest of tomorrow?
- MS. BOKAT: Well, we have readings --
- 19 additional readings that we can use to fill tomorrow,
- 20 but Dr. Levy couldn't come back tomorrow afternoon,
- 21 which is why --
- 22 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I understand that. Is Larry
- 23 Rosenthal your last live witness?
- MS. BOKAT: No, we have one more live witness,
- another of our experts, Joel Hoffman.

- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Right. Well, I know -- I read
- 2 your trial brief, but I didn't know if you had changed
- 3 your trial plan since we began. That's why I'm asking.
- 4 MS. BOKAT: Right. No, Mr. Hoffman would be
- 5 our last witness.
- 6 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Is he available tomorrow?
- 7 MS. BOKAT: I don't know. We hadn't explored
- 8 that, because I wasn't trying to chop up the interval
- 9 between our direct of Dr. Levy and respondents'
- 10 opportunity for cross examination.
- 11 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay. So, we will finish with
- 12 Larry Rosenthal tomorrow, and then we will finish with
- your deposition excerpt readings and see where we stand
- 14 at that time.
- We're going to have to have a break after Mr.
- 16 Rosenthal's direct, because I'm going to take a break,
- 17 review the transcript from his prior deposition, and
- 18 then I'm going to give respondents time to review that
- 19 before they cross examine the witness, just for
- 20 planning purposes.
- Okay, that's what I need to know. Thank you.
- 22 You may proceed.
- MR. GINSBURG: Thank you.
- 24 MS. BOKAT: So, the next readings would be
- again from Mr. Kapur, this time from his deposition

- 1 transcript. That deposition was taken October 18th,
- 2 2001.
- 3 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Go ahead.
- 4 MR. GINSBURG: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 5 Page 82, line 23:
- 6 "QUESTION: During the discussions between
- 7 yourself and Mr. Troup -- now, this is
- 8 spanning from May 28th to June 17th -- did you
- 9 or someone else at Schering inquire about the
- 10 patent status of Niacor-SR?
- "MS. SHORES: Objection, compound, also
- 12 speculation.
- "ANSWER: No, if your question is did I do
- 14 anything about the patent status, was I
- present at -- where the patent was
- investigated, I was not present in the
- discussion of the patents.
- 18 "QUESTION: Did you ask anyone at
- 19 Schering-Plough to look into the patent status
- of Niacor-SR?
- "MS. SHORES: I'll object to that on the
- 22 ground that it potentially calls for a
- 23 privileged communication. If you want to ask
- 24 him whether he asked anybody other than a
- 25 lawyer?

Τ	"MS. BOKAT: I'd like to just ask nim
2	generally first.
3	"MS. SHORES: Well, then, I'll instruct the
4	witness if you asked a lawyer about the patent
5	status, I wouldn't discuss that.
6	"ANSWER: I didn't ask anybody. My role
7	was as a negotiator. You know, this I
8	passed the package on to the business
9	development people and the global marketing
10	people whose business it was. It wasn't my
11	role to go into that, into the patents or into
12	the other areas of the product. I was there
13	as a negotiator. You put that question to
14	other people, maybe business development or
15	global marketing or those or other areas.
16	"QUESTION: Did you personally inquire of
17	Upsher-Smith about their communications with
18	the Food and Drug Administration concerning
19	Niacor-SR?
20	"ANSWER: Again, that was not my role.
21	You know, I did not do that. I passed the
22	package on to business development, the people
23	whose business this was. My role was only to
24	negotiate the deal, to help them negotiate and
25	get the best deal and to get products for

1	myself. That was my role. The rest of it was
2	theirs.
3	"QUESTION: Did you ask anyone at
4	Schering-Plough to inquire into communications
5	between Upsher-Smith and the Food and Drug
6	Administration concerning Niacor?
7	"ANSWER: Again, I did not. That was not
8	my role. That would have been whatever was
9	done in those arenas would have been should
10	be addressed to the business people whose
11	business this was.
12	"QUESTION: Do you know whether anyone at
13	Schering inquired into communications between
14	Upsher-Smith and the Food and Drug
15	Administration concerning Niacor?
16	"ANSWER: I don't know."
17	MR. GINSBURG: Page 98, line 22:
18	"QUESTION: Then did you as negotiator not
19	send the Upsher agreement to the controller,
20	the tax department, the law department and the
21	treasury department within Schering?
22	"ANSWER: I don't recall sending this
23	agreement to any of those units. I think you
24	would have to ask Jeff Wasserstein or others
25	what they did with it, but it was not my

- bailiwick."
- MR. GINSBURG: That's all, Your Honor, we have
- 3 for Mr. Kapur's deposition. Thanks.
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Upsher?
- 5 MS. BIERI: Schering has no counters for this.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Schering has no counters.
- 7 What about Upsher?
- 8 MR. CARNEY: Nothing from Upsher, Your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Next?
- 10 MS. BOKAT: The next is from the
- investigational hearing transcript of Jeffrey
- 12 Wasserstein. That hearing was conducted September
- 13 14th, 2000. Mr. Wasserstein is an official of
- 14 Schering-Plough. Last time I tried to read his title,
- I misspoke and Ms. Shores corrected me. Would she be
- willing to help me out at this point?
- MS. SHORES: Yes, Mr. Wasserstein is
- 18 currently -- now I'm going to mess this up -- he -- at
- 19 the time of his deposition, he was -- let me get this
- 20 right, too.
- 21 Hold on one second, Your Honor.
- 22 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Don't worry if you get it
- 23 wrong. It's just a matter of public record, Ms.
- 24 Shores. I'd like to know what his job is now and what
- 25 it was at the time of this testimony, if it's

- 1 different.
- 2 MS. SHORES: Just one second, Your Honor.
- MS. BOKAT: It gets complicated, Your Honor,
- 4 because I think at the time of the agreement, he was in
- 5 corporate business development, by the time we took the
- 6 investigational hearing, he was working for a Schering
- 7 unit in Canada.
- 8 MS. SHORES: That's correct, Your Honor. He
- 9 was the head of Schering Canada at the time of the
- 10 investigational hearing. He has since moved on to
- 11 another position, which I believe is the staff vice
- 12 president and head of the GMP manufacturing processes
- 13 at Schering.
- 14 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- MR. GINSBURG: Page 98, line 24:
- 16 "MR. EISENSTAT: I'd like to have marked as
- the next exhibit in order Wasserstein 4, a
- 18 ten-page document bearing the numbers SP
- 19 1200244 through SP 1200253.
- "QUESTION: Mr. Wasserstein, you've been
- 21 handed what's been marked as Exhibit 4. Let
- 22 me just move 3 out of the way so you -- I'll
- leave them in the middle of the table if you
- need to refer to them, but otherwise, I
- 25 thought we'd just keep the table a little more

1	orderly. I'd like to ask you to look over
2	Exhibit 4 and ask you if you recognize what
3	the document is.
4	"ANSWER: It looks like the board of
5	directors presentation on our transactions
6	with Upsher-Smith."
7	MR. GINSBURG: Page 108, line 1:
8	"QUESTION: Okay, let's keep going down
9	the page where it says we're still on SP
10	120046. There's a heading in the middle of
11	the page, Niacor-SR, and under that it says,
12	'Niacor-SR is a patented sustained release
13	niacin product. Upsher-Smith will be filing
14	an NDA for the product in the U.S. by year
15	end.' Do you see that line?
16	"ANSWER: Yes.
17	"QUESTION: NDA, is that a new drug
18	application?
19	"ANSWER: Yes."
20	MR. GINSBURG: Page 108, line 20:
21	"QUESTION: If we skip a line, the next
22	skip a sentence, there's a sentence that says,
23	'It offers a 100 million plus in annual sales
24	opportunity for Schering-Plough.' Do you see
25	that sentence?

1	"ANSWER: Yes.
2	"QUESTION: Where did you get the 100
3	million plus in annual sales number?
4	"ANSWER: That was based on the final
5	analysis that had been provided to us by
6	global marketing.
7	"QUESTION: So, you are relying on global
8	marketing for that number?
9	"ANSWER: Yes, uh-huh.
10	"QUESTION: Okay. The final sentence of
11	that paragraph says, 'A key to Niacor-SR
12	achieving these sales are, labeling for
13	lowering cholesterol both as monotherapy and
14	in combination with statins, reimbursement in
15	the core countries and a good safety profile.
16	Do you see that sentence?
17	"ANSWER: Yes.
18	"QUESTION: What did you mean where you
19	say, 'A key to Niacor achieving these sales
20	are labeling for lowering cholesterol both as
21	monotherapy and in combination with statins'?
22	"ANSWER: That means labeling for the
23	product, that it could be used by itself.
24	That's what the monotherapy means. For
25	lowering cholesterol and in combination,

1	meaning labeling that says 'and in combination
2	with the class of drugs of statins could lower
3	cholesterol.'
4	MR. GINSBURG: Page 111, line 21:
5	"QUESTION: Okay, there's a heading right
6	underneath that paragraph that says,
7	'Niacor-SR opportunity,' and the first
8	sentence says, 'Based on data generated by
9	Upsher-Smith, Niacor-SR appears to have less
10	adverse effects, flushing, itching,
11	hepatotoxicity, than other forms of niacin.'
12	Do you know what you based that sentence on?
13	"ANSWER: I don't recall specifically, but
14	presumably as it says, based on data that had
15	been provided to us by Upsher-Smith, which to
16	the extent that they were the ones doing the
17	clinical trials and we hadn't done any
18	independent clinical trials, which is not
19	unusual, it would be relying on that data.
20	"QUESTION: Okay. Would you have gone
21	through that data yourself or would you be
22	relying on global marketing's review of that
23	data?
24	"ANSWER: I would be relying on someone
25	else's review and presumably global marketing

1	would have either would have been either
2	doing the review themselves or relying on
3	somebody in research or a business unit to
4	provide them with that data.
5	"QUESTION: But you didn't do the
6	review
7	"ANSWER: I did not do it, no.
8	"QUESTION: And similarly, in the next
9	sentence, they give some actual numbers. 'in
10	addition, in clinical trials, it has been
11	shown by Upsher-Smith that Niacor-SR can
12	reduce LDL-C by 20 percent, raise HDL by 16
13	percent and reduce TGs by 16 percent.' Were
14	you relying on global marketing for that
15	information?
16	"ANSWER: Yes.
17	"QUESTION: The last sentence then says,
18	'As outlined in Table 1, Niacor-SR is expected
19	to be launched in early 1999 with third-year
20	sales of \$114 million.' Would that also be
21	coming from global marketing?
22	"ANSWER: Yes.
23	"QUESTION: There is then a heading that
24	says Payment Terms, and the first paragraph
25	says, 'In the course of our discussions with

1	Upsher-Smith, they indicated that a
2	prerequisite of any deal would be to provide
3	them with a guaranteed income stream for the
4	next 24 months to make up for the income that
5	they had projected to earn from the sales of
6	Klor Con had they been successful in their
7	suit.' Is that the discussion you vaguely
8	recalled earlier this morning that Mr. Troup
9	told you?
10	"ANSWER: Yes.
11	"QUESTION: Let's turn to the page bearing
12	the number SP 1200251 labeled Table 1,
13	Niacor-SR Worldwide Sales, Except the U.S.,
14	Canada and Mexico. Do you have that page in
15	front of you?
16	"ANSWER: Yes, I do.
17	"QUESTION: Did you just take this page
18	from the work that global marketing did?
19	"ANSWER: Yes.
20	"QUESTION: So, you are just replicating
21	the work they did. You didn't actually do
22	this work.
23	"ANSWER: That's correct.
24	"QUESTION: These assumptions and
25	rationale, are those global marketing's

1	assumptions and rationale?
2	"ANSWER: Yes.
3	"QUESTION: Let's turn to the next page,
4	the page labeled SP 1200252, labeled Niacor-SR
5	Earnings Impact. Do you have that page in
6	front of you?
7	"ANSWER: Yes, I do.
8	"QUESTION: Now, when you say earnings
9	impact here, this is not actual earnings that
10	the company actually made. This is a
11	projection of earnings. Is that correct?
12	"ANSWER: This is the projection of the
13	impact of the transaction on Schering-Plough
14	Corporation as a whole.
15	"QUESTION: Okay, but it's a projection.
16	"ANSWER: Yes.
17	"QUESTION: This isn't actual dollars you
18	earned.
19	"ANSWER: No, it's not."
20	MR. GINSBURG: Page 115, line 4:
21	"QUESTION: But your understanding is that
22	Schering never marketed Niacor-SR.
23	"ANSWER: That's what I think, yes."
24	MR. GINSBURG: Page 124, line 17:
25	"QUESTION: Do you know anything about the

- 1 reasons why Upsher-Smith never finished the
- 2 registration of the product and why Schering
- 3 or why Schering-Plough didn't sell the
- 4 product?
- 5 "ANSWER: No.
- 6 "QUESTION: You weren't involved in that
- 7 at all?
- 8 "ANSWER: No. My participation on this
- 9 ended with the board of directors document
- 10 that we looked at before.
- 11 "QUESTION: You did no more work on the
- 12 product?
- "ANSWER: None."
- MR. GINSBURG: That's all, Your Honor, we have
- from Mr. Wasserstein's investigational hearing. Thank
- 16 you.
- 17 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you. Schering?
- 18 MS. BIERI: Schering has no counters, Your
- 19 Honor.
- MR. CARNEY: No counter-designations for
- 21 Upsher, Your Honor.
- 22 JUDGE CHAPPELL: According to the clock on the
- wall, it's about 5:25, and rather than start another
- 24 reading, this should be a pretty good breaking point, I
- 25 think, and it would help us keep things more coherent

1	in the record.
2	So, we'll recess until 9:30 tomorrow morning.
3	(Whereupon, at 5:25 p.m., the hearing was
4	adjourned.)
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